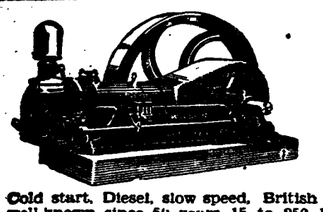

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INDIA'S LABOUR LEGISLATION

Vigorous Defence By Sardar Patel

He Asks Socialists To Stop Being A Nuisance

NEW DELHI, February 2, (PTI).

THE Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Patel today put up a vigorous defence of the Government of India's policies towards labour and Centrally administered areas, and called upon the Socialist Party to give up its "tactics of creating disturbances everywhere" and instead form a "healthy opposition."

Sardar Patel, who was speaking extempore at the end of the day's debate, said: "I ask you to consider the amount of labour legislation which we have pushed forward both in the Centre and in the Provinces during these two years. Can you find a parallel anywhere?"

Replying to the INTUC leader Mr. Khanoubhai Desai's charge that Government were following a policy of appeasement of capital, Sardar Patel said, "In Madhya Bharat, the textile industry earned rupees fifty-seven lakhs out of which rupees forty lakhs were given as bonus to labour. Is this appeasement of the capitalists or is this heading towards destruction? The time has come when we must adjust our policy in such a way that all sections of society will cooperate."

Sardar Patel assured the House that only areas which were vital for the security of the country and needed careful political nursing were taken under the direct charge of the Centre.

KASHMIR

Several members were severely critical of the Government's policy towards Pakistan. They said that it was "weak-kneed, soft, and gentlemanly."

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava said that India should never have agreed to the cease-fire in Kashmir. Even if it had to be done, the Government ought to have made recovery of women in Pakistan a condition precedent.

Sardar Gurmukh Singh Musafir (Punjab) said that people in the border areas had been "discouraged by Government's policy and should be reassured." That could be done by arming them and giving military training to every man and woman there.

Mr. Mahavir Tyagi suggested that a firm policy should be followed against Pakistan. If the Government did not want to follow a Gandhian policy, they should follow a policy of "blow for blow."

JUST, ADEQUATE

Syed Nausher Ali (West Bengal) felt that the leave policy should neither be weak nor not, but just and adequate and effective." It was wrong to give Pakistan, as had been done till now, the same status as was given to other foreign powers. As a Bengali, he could say that the masses of both East and West Bengal were still of one mind and they wanted that they should unite. Unification of the two Bengals appeared to him "the one and the only solution of the problem."

Syed Nausher Ali added that India could not follow the policy they had till now been following as regards Kashmir. Cheers greeted him when he said: "If police action was found necessary in the case of Hyderabad, it should have been found cent per cent more so in the case of Kashmir. Kashmir would then have been part of India for all time. Further vacillation on the part of India would be good neither for Pakistan nor for India."

(Details on page 9)

Sales Tax Order

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (UPI): The President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, today promulgated the Sales Tax Continuance Order, 1950, in exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Clause (2) of Article 286 of the Constitution of India.

FOLLOWERS ALL!

NEW DELHI, Feb. 3.

REFERRING to Mr. Sarangadhar Das's remark in Parliament that Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia was one of the best followers of Gandhiji, Sardar Patel said: "Unfortunately, Gandhiji has left so many followers in this country (laughter) that it is difficult to say who is good and who is bad. Everybody claims to be a follower of Gandhiji except the members sitting on the Treasury benches (laughter). But I want to tell Mr Sarangadhar Das, who has recently joined the Party that this kind of tactics (referring to Rewa disturbances) of creating disturbances everywhere is not going to improve the position of the Party. We wish that Party would form a healthy opposition. But beginning from Goa right upto Nepal and then from the C P to Rajasthan, they jump from place to place, create problems for the Government of India and then go away (laughter).

India's Jute Target

50 LAKH BALES PRODUCTION

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2 (PTI).

INDIA'S target for production of jute in the coming year was 50 lakh bales, said Sardar Datar Singh, Chairman of the Indian Central Jute Committee, while presiding over the half-yearly general meeting of the Committee in Calcutta today.

This quantity, Sardar Datar Singh added, was expected to be supplemented by 10 lakhs bales of mesta and other fibres, the production of which would be further intensified this year.

Giving an account of the marked increase in the production of jute in India during the current year, the Chairman said that, besides the four main jute-growing provinces—West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa and Assam—jute was now being grown in Tripura, Cooch-Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Travancore.

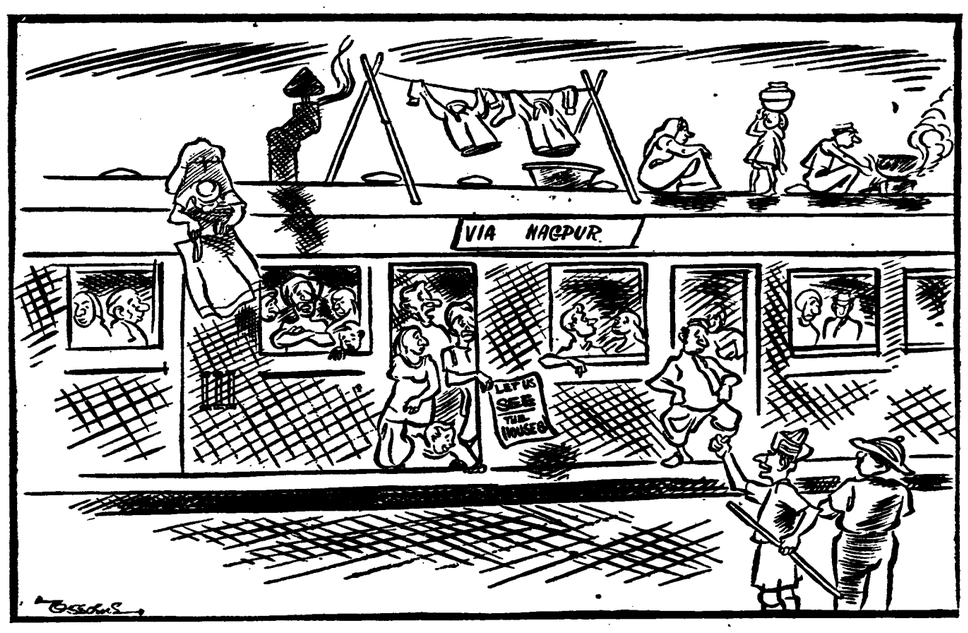
VOTING WAS BAD

BOMBAY, Thursday: The Government of Bombay has decided to declare as void the recent elections to the Board of Indian Systems of Medicine, it was officially stated here today.

The Government's action was taken as a result of detection of certain flaw in the system of voting.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 2, (P.T.I.): Sweden has recognised Indonesia as a free and independent State, the foreign office announced here today.

"BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE...."



Our Ahmedabad correspondent has reported that three special trains carrying refugees have been held up at Sabarmati as they have refused to get down protesting against insufficient housing accommodation.

STATES MERGER AFTERMATH

Likely Adjustment In Finances

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, February 2.

The question of some sort of an adjustment between the Union and the States to meet the financial dislocation caused by the merger of the old states is under consideration, it is learnt.

In the case of continuing state (like Mysore and Hyderabad), the recommendations of the Krishnamachari Committee is regard to financial adjustments have in the main been accepted by the Government with certain agreed modifications.

Under the scheme, the Union will give the states or states unions, for the first five years in full and on a diminishing scale for the next five years, the revenue gap created by the lifting of the Federal revenue and expenditure from the budgets of those states following Federal fiscal integration. If the share of the state is a divisible head of revenue (for example, when the income-tax exceeds the grant referred to above), then the difference will be paid to it. In the first few years this is not likely to happen.

Unions of states which have no revenue gap to fill will be allowed to retain the surplus; they will also obtain their share of the divisible revenue.

PARLIAMENT AND KASHMIR

President's Order

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (UPI): The President today issued the Constitution (Application to Jammu and Kashmir) Order, laying down matters with regard to which Parliament might make laws for that state. These matters correspond to those specified in the Instrument of Accession governing the accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to India, namely, defence, foreign relations and communications.

The Order also specifies the provisions of the constitution which alone shall apply in relation to the State of Jammu and Kashmir subject to certain exceptions and modifications.

MUSSOORIE, Feb. 2, (P.T.I.): Within twenty-four hours, Mussoorie had another snow fall of three inches today. The adjoining hills including Ochandalgarhi and Nagatibha were completely covered with snow.

Land Acquisition For Kandla Development

SANCTION RECEIVED

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND acres of land will be acquired at Kandla for its development as a major port. Sanction for the acquisition has been received by the Development Commissioner from the Ministry of States, it is learnt. The acquisition is to be graduated and will be completed within three years at an estimated cost of rupees one crore and a half.

The Kandla Port Advisory Committee which will hold its second meeting at Kandla (Bhuj) on February 12 is to make an on-the-spot study of the progress made so far towards making Kandla into a major port. The first meeting was held in Bombay last December.

The Committee will consider a report by the Development Commissioner on investigations carried out by experts in regard to communications, development of land, navigational aids and the development of Gandhidham township.

In view of the decision of the Ministry of Transport Government of India to take over the port of Kandla as from April 1, arrangements are being made to apply the Indian Ports Act and define the port limits.

Port rules and by-laws have been framed in consultation with the Bombay Port Trust authorities.

AERODROME SITE

Provision has now been made, it is learnt, in the existing master plan for an aerodrome site in the immediate vicinity of the port and the Gandhidham township. In view of the fact that the Kandla-Deesa railway link is expected to be completed only by April 1952, it is proposed to take up the work of construction of the aerodrome only in 1951 and put it into use in the following year, to co-ordinate the development of communications, both air and land.

The development of land is to be entrusted to the proposed Land Development Board consisting of four officials and three non-officials representing the Sindhu Resettlement Corporation. The functions of the Board will be to ensure that the development of the township proceeds on the approved plan, that the interest of the port and railway are properly served and that the development of the entire area proceeds on well-considered lines. The Board will also be entrusted with the task of providing public utility services, such as power and water supplies and drainage for the entire area.

Besides Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai, Chairman, the other members of the Committee include Mr. C. H. Bhabha, Mr. Bhawanji A. Khimji and Mr. K. Mitter, (Development Commissioner of Kandla).

Canada Expels Two Czechs

OTTAWA, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter): The Canadian Government has ordered the expulsion of two members of the Czechoslovak legation staff in Ottawa in retaliation for the expulsion last week of two members of the Canadian legation staff in Prague, it was officially announced here today.

PROHIBITION WEEK IN BOMBAY

President Invited

BOMBAY, Thursday

Invitations have been issued by the Government of Bombay to Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President of the Indian Republic, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, President of the Congress and Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, ex-Governor-General, to attend the celebrations of the Prohibition Week, provisionally scheduled to take place between April 6 and 13, in the City of Bombay.

April 6, has been fixed for the inauguration of the week, as stockists of liquor will be given five days grace to declare their stocks, after total prohibition sets in on April 1.

Arrangements are on way to make this week a grand success and members of the Prohibition Board have converged in the Province from all parts of the mofussil, to chalk out programme, for this purpose.

Arrangements, it is learnt will be made with the Government of India to deface the stamps of letters going out of Bombay or arriving here during the week with appropriate prohibition slogans.

The editors of newspapers may be approached for issuing special Prohibition Supplements. It is expected that there will be many propaganda meetings and dramatic performances, posters and hoardings also.

3 Dead, 25 Hurt Near Gorakhpur

EXPRESS COLLIDES WITH PASSENGER

LUCKNOW, February 2, (PTI).

THREE passengers were killed and twentyeight others injured when the Katihar-Lucknow Express collided, with Kanpur-Katihar Passenger at Munderwa station, thirty miles from Gorakhpur, at 6-55 this morning. The condition of three injured passengers is said to be serious.

The Public Relations Officer, O. T. Railway, in a press 'communique' says that, while Four Down Kanpur-Katipur Passenger was standing on the platform at Munderwa station, 1 Up Katihar-Lucknow Express booked to run through Munderwa, was admitted on the same line and collided with 4 Down. The driver of the 4 Down train is reported to have started backing his train which reduced the force of the impact but could not avoid the collision.

The leading bogie brake and one class three carriage of the 1 Up train were telescoped, while one class two special bogie carriage and one bogie brake van of four down train were derailed. Preliminary enquiry has already been started by officers at site.

MEDICAL AID

The communique says that there was no casualty among passengers of the 4 Down training standing at the station.

Immediately on receipt of information, one ambulance from Gorakhpur hospital with the General Manager and other officers left for Munderwa. A relief train from Gorakhpur also left at 9 a.m. and arrived at Munderwa at 9-45 a.m.

All the injured passengers were given medical aid by a doctor travelling by the 4 Down train and sent to Basti civil hospital.

AMBALA: Two more bodies of passengers killed in the Kashmir Mail accident at Sirhind have been identified.

O. T. R. PARCEL TRAIN GOES OFF RAILS

No Loss Of Life

BEGUSARAI, February 2. (PTI): Eleven coaches of a goods parcel train went off the rails and capsized between Lakhminia and Asahebpur Kamaj junction of the Oudh and Tirhut Railway on Wednesday afternoon. No loss of life is reported. The passenger and goods coaches which remained on the track were brought to Brauni junction.

All up and down trains are being diverted via Bakhri Salauna. Salvage operations are in progress.

Seven Dead In Dakota Crash

THE HAGUE, Feb. 2 (PTI): All seven people on board a KLM Dakota freight plane which crashed off the Dutch coast today were assumed dead, the Royal Dutch Airlines announced today.

The Dakota crashed in the sea about fifty miles west of The Hague while on a flight with mail and freight from Amsterdam to London. The seven people on board included several trainees—one a woman hostess.

British Food Ministry Mission

LONDON, Feb. 2 (PTI): A British Food Ministry Mission is shortly leaving for discussions with the Governments of India, Ceylon and Pakistan on the supply of tea to Britain from 1951, the Ministry announced today. Leader of the mission will be Mr. F. Sheed Anderson, Under-Secretary in the Food Ministry, who led the British Delegation at the recent International Wheat Conference.

DANGER OF HOT WAR FEARED

Prof. Bernal Hits Atomic Progress

BOMBAY, Thursday.

PROF. J. D. Bernal, world famous sclietist and Vice-President of the World Peace Congress said here today that there was a danger of cold war turning into a hot war.

Prof. Bernal who was addressing a mass meeting, in Bombay organised by the Bombay Peace Committee, emphasised the importance of science for maintaining peace in the world, specially now when President Truman had ordered work to start on the Hydrogen Bomb. "Scientists all over the world have the responsibility of stopping this criminal nonsense. To use science destructively is an extremely ineffective use of human intelligence."

Continuing, he said: "America is spending 20 billion dollars on cold war and one billion on actual arms sent to Europe. This is not enough. America will have to spend 15 billions to balance their war economy. That is why there is such a danger of cold war turning into a hot war.

CAPITALISTS TO BLAME

"United States capitalists and not the United States people have interest in war. Soviet people and their Government have interest in peace. Their scientists can work knowing that their work will be used constructively."

In conclusion, he stressed the need of scientists to join the great world movement of the Partisans of Peace, which, he said, was supported by all countries from Soviet Union to United States and believed in the abolition of atom bomb, reduction of armaments and an international agreement to maintain peace. Then alone can science be utilised immediately on a large scale to provide the bare necessities of life, i.e., food, shelter, cloth to people.

U. S. DECISION ON HYDROGEN BOMB

Unnecessary To Inform U. N., Says Truman

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter).—President Truman said today that it was not necessary to notify the United Nations Organisation of America's decision to go ahead with production of the Hydrogen Bomb.

The President was commenting on a suggestion by Senator Arthur Vandenberg yesterday that the President should formally notify the United Nations of his Hydrogen Bomb decision and of United States readiness to abandon the project as soon as Russia permitted effective international control of atomic energy.

Mr Truman at his weekly press conference referred reporters to his statement on Tuesday that the United States would "continue its plans for producing the bomb until a satisfactory plan for international control is achieved."

He added that the United States had constantly urged control of the atomic bomb.

AIRLIFT AGAIN? U. S. THREAT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2, (PTI-Reuter).

THE United States State Department announced tonight that it was "actively contemplating" counter-measures against Russia in retaliation for the "creeping" traffic hold-up in Berlin.

A State Department official accused Russia of violating the Paris Agreement of June last year which ended the Berlin airlift, by interfering with the free flow of road and rail transport between Berlin and the Western zones.

"The nature of such counter-measures would of course depend on the specific circumstances prevailing at the time." It was indicated that the United States was prepared to re-establish the airlift if it became necessary.

UNCHANGED

BERLIN: The traffic situation at Helmstedt was unchanged today a week after the still unanswered Western protest to the Russians against inter-zonal hold-ups.

There was a trickle of lorries averaging six an hour in the direction of Berlin. The queue on the British side of the check-point was about 70 lorries long all day.

The State Department was "deeply concerned" at the Soviet interference with traffic, said Mr. Michael McDermot. There was no immediate threat to the supply situation of Berlin and reserve stocks of food and fuel in the city were satisfactory.

"There is no reason, therefore, to believe that re-establishment of the airlift is required at this time, but we remain prepared to take this step if it should prove necessary," he said.

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3. Secretaries.
4. Resident Secretary.
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M. D. BHAT
Chief Secretary.
Government of Bombay
(7032)

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3. The Tender must reach the office of the Chief Mechanical Engineer, Parel (Bombay) on Monday the 20th February, 1950, and on the same day these will be opened and read out between 2 and 3 p.m. in the presence of the Tenderers or their agents if they choose to attend.

4. Tenders by wire will not be accepted.

5. The C.M.E. PL. does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to accept any tender in whole or in part.

6. Tenderers must submit with their tenders income tax clearance certificates.

G. V. N. ACHARYA
Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer
(Running)

Ajmer,
Dated 31st January, 1950.
(7035)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

ALL PARTIES CONCERNED are hereby informed that the partnership existing between Mr. KARTARSINGH, son of Jaimalsingh and Mr. GURDITSINGH, son of Amarsingh running in the firm name and style of The Gurunanak Iron and Steel Works at 5th Kumbharwada, Pathan Street, Bombay, has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent from 10th day of January, 1950 and henceforth all the Liabilities, Assets, Stock-in-trade, Goodwill, etc. shall belong to Mr. Kartarsingh, the continuing partner and Mr. Gurditsingh, the retiring partner shall have nothing to do with the same.

D. S. GARDI
Advocate for
Mr. Kartarsingh Jaimalsingh.
Bombay, 1st February, 1950.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
I. C. No. 34 of 1950

In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913
And
In the matter of the GOOD HOUSE-KEEPING COMPANY LIMITED and Reduced, a private Company, having its registered Office at 38, Queens Road, within the Fort of Bombay.

The Good House-Keeping Company, Limited and Reduced, a Private Company, having its Registered Office at 38, Queens Road, within the Fort of Bombay ..... Petitioner.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition for confirming a resolution reducing the capital of the above Company from Rs. 5,00,000 divided into 5,000 shares of Rs. 100|- each to Rs. 5,00,000 divided into 20,000 shares of Rs. 25|- each and effecting such reduction by reducing the nominal amount of the shares from Rs. 100 to Rs. 25 each and extinguishing the liability to the extent of Rs. 75|- per share in respect of the uncalled capital on 3050 shares which have been issued and on which Rs. 25|- per share have been paid up, was on the 20th day of January, 1950, presented to the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati (In Chambers) and is now pending and that the list of creditors of the above company is to be made out as for the 10th day of March, 1950.

PEREIRA, FAZALBHOY & CO.,
Attorneys for the above Company.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

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A piece of Municipal leasehold land situate at Naigaum Estate Road No. 2, Naigaum being Plot No. 23 (1) containing admeasurement 1,175 square yards which said premises forms portion of land bearing Collector's New Survey No. 2074, Cadastral Survey No. 1/49 of Dadar-Naigaum Division and now under 26 and F Ward Nos. 729 (15A), 729 (15B) and 729 (15C), Street Nos. 27 B, 25 A and 25 C.

2ND LOT

A piece of Municipal leasehold land situate at Naigaum Estate Road No. 3, Naigaum being Plot No. 23(12) and permanent and temporary structures standing thereon admeasuring 1,175 square yards which said premises forms portion of land bearing.

Collector's New Survey No. 2074, Cadastral Survey No. 12/49 of Dadar-Naigaum Division and now under 26 F Ward Nos. 729 (14B), 729 (16A), 729 (16B) and 729 (16C), Street Nos. 56 B, 54,23 A, 23 B and 89 Bc.

3RD LOT.

A piece of Municipal leasehold land situate at Naigaum Estate Road No. 3, Naigaum being Plot No. 23 (10), and temporary shed standing thereon admeasuring 1,184 square yards which said premises forms portion of land bearing Collector's New Survey No. 10/49 of Dadar-Naigaum Division and now under 26 F Ward No. 729 (12) and (12A), Street Nos. 58 and 58 A.

4TH LOT

A piece of Municipal leasehold land situate at Naigaum Estate Road No. 3, Naigaum being Plot No. 23 (11) and temporary shed standing thereon admeasuring 1,184 square yards which said premises forms portion of land bearing Collector's New Survey No. 2074, Cadastral Survey No. 11/49 of Dadar-Naigaum Division and now under No. 26 F Ward No. 729 (14A), Street Nos. 56 and 56A.

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EJECTMENT SUIT DISMISSED

No Surrender Of Tenancy

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tendolkar)

Gulab Singh Gokuldas—Plaintiff.
vs.
Sorabji Pestonji Master and others —Defendants.

The defendants were trustees of a building known as Master Mansion at Chowpati which they agreed to sell to one Abdul Majid, who subsequently assigned the benefit of the agreement to the plaintiff. One of the terms of the agreement was that the vendors were to hand over vacant possession of one of the flats in the property which was in the occupation of defendant 1 on the expiry of six months thereafter. As the defendants failed to do so the plaintiff filed the present suit to recover possession of the flat.

The plaintiff contended that Sorabji under the agreement must be deemed to have surrendered his tenancy and to be in possession as a vendor, that in any event he was estopped from raising the plea of tenancy, and that as a trustee could not benefit from the trust, the tenancy was illegal under section 53 of the Trust Act.

His Lordship held that the agreement being between the vendor and the purchaser, it could not operate as a surrender of tenancy between the vendors inter se, that the representations in the agreement were not sufficient to create an estoppel against defendant 1, and that defendant 1 having inherited the tenancy from his father, section 53 of the Trust Act did not apply to the case.

In the result His Lordship held that defendant 1 was a tenant and was entitled to the protection of the Rent Act and dismissed the plaintiff's suit.

Mr. A. A. Peerbhoy and Mr. R.M. Hathi instructed by Messrs. Mankodi and Co. appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. H. D. Banaji and Mr. M. P. Laud instructed by Messrs. Mehta Lalji & Co. appeared for the defendants.

NEW METHOD OF MILLING PADDY

Better Output

MADRAS, Feb. 2 (PTI): Improved methods of milling paddy can increase the supply of rice in Madras Province by nearly two lakh tons.

Mr. S. Varma, Honorary Adviser to the Central Food Ministry, who is now in Madras has shown this during his experiments in the rifferent rice-producing centres of the Province. As a result of the demonstrations he conducted in the Tanjore District on January 31, it was found that with the existing huller type of mills, the yield of boto raw and par-boiled rice could be raised by 4.1 per cent which would mean a yield of about two lakh tons a year and thereby a saving of nearly 10 crores of rupees for the Province.

The samples of rice produced by the improved methods are stated to be conforming to the specifications laid down by the Provincial Government.

RELIEF TO NATIONAL MOVEMENT SUFFERERS

U. P. Decision

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 2: The U.P. Government has decided to grant gratuity at the rate of half month's pay for each completed year of service to these temporary Government employees who were dismissed for their association with the national movement. This concession does not apply to persons who were re-employed after tendering apology.

U. P. Move To Suppress Red Activities

BENARES, Feb. 1, (PTI): Following the recent Communist police clash in Ballia District on Republic Day, high officers of the U.P. are concentrating their energies on bringing under control Communist activities in Eastern District.

Prohibitory orders under Section 144 C. P. C., banning meetings, processions and assemblies have been enforced in some parts of Ballia and Ghaziabad Districts.

Thirteen persons, including some women are been arersted so far as the police in connection with the clash. These include a woman, injured in the police firing. She was arrested in hospital.

Andhra Cyclone Relief Fund

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Gen. Secretaries of the B. P. C. C announce that the following donations have been received by the B. P. C. C. to the Andhra Cyclone Relief Fund:

Western India Chamber of Commerce: Rs. 500.

Shri Shantilal Amritlal Shah: Rs. 25.

This amount is being forwarded to H. E. the Governor of Madras who is the Chairman of the Andhra Cyclone Relief Fund.

NAGPUR, Feb 2 (UPI): The inauguration of the Indian Republic was greeted in a unique manner by the Adivasis of the Mandla district, according to reports just received here. Amidst scenes of unprecedented enthusiasm about 75,000 Adivasis assembled in a conference held at Nainpur under the Presidentship of Acharya Kaka Kalelkar.

No Special Favour To Morarka In Prison

MORARJI'S STATEMENT AT PRESS CONFERENCE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

At 12-35 this afternoon Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Government of Bombay, put a special telephone call—to the Superintendent, Arthur Road Prison, to check up on the report that Gokulchand Dwarkandas Morarka, a convict millionnaire and millowner of Bombay, was getting all manner of privileges, like the use of a sofa and radio, in the prison in which he is incarcerated for the term of his sentence of one year.

The Home Minister rapped out these questions on the telephone. "Is it true that he has been given a special room all to himself? Is he in a cell or in barracks? Has he been given a radio set or sofa?"

After his conversation on the phone, Mr. Morarji turned to the group of pressmen with whom he was in conference at that time and stated that Morarka was in a barrack which was meant for eight convicts. At present it contained only four prisoners of whom Morarka was one. The jail authorities told the Home Minister that the place was so small that there was no accommodation even to fit in a sofa. He was treated like all other prisoners, with regard to interviews and other prison facilities and no favoured treatment was accorded to him.

It may be mentioned that the last words of the Home Minister to the jail authority at the other end were "Let it not happen again" Mr. Morarji before he uttered these remarks had asked the Superintendent a question whether it was true that Morarka was allowed to go to court for appearance in another case in his own car and not in the Black Maria in which the police convey under-trials to courts.

The Superintendent is stated to have replied that it was a question which did not come in his jurisdiction, as the prisoner was at that time not in the hands of his men, but in the hands of the police who escorted him. And, therefore, the responsibility was not his.

To this the Minister was heard to remark, "Let it not happen again"

ROLLS ROYCE

To the remark of the representative of this paper who had asked him questions with regard to the prisoner, that the Home Minister "was remarkably well-informed" even with small details vis-a-vis Morarka, Mr. Morarji replied, "I have heard more. Actually the report was that Morarka drove to the Court in his own Rolls Royce. Perhaps by Rolls Royce was meant some luxurious car belonging to the prisoner"

The Minister also revealed that the acquittal of six big cotton operators who were arrested subsequent to the raid on the East India Cotton Association, was being referred to the Legal Remembrancer of the Government of Bombay for advice, whether Government had a case to go in appeal.

Government had already filed an appeal against the judgment of the Sessions Judge of Sabarmati, with regard to the Sabarmati Communist Shooting Case.

The Home Minister stated that certain persons under the Public Security Measures' Act had been released on their convincing Government that they would not take part in violent activities. No such representation had been made by Mr S. A. Dange.

When some reporter said that Mr. Dange had been expelled from the ranks of the Communist Party, Mr Morarji said, "The expulsion may have been bogus—a make shift for securing his release"

Mr. Morarji Desai also said that if Nazi or Communist methods had been adopted, there would have been no opposition to the party in power. "I would prefer death to being a fascist", he aded.

Mr. Morarji also gave an assurance that the Government of Bombay would not terminate anybody's services, on the ground that he was a European, or Anglo-Indian or a foreigner But, nobody would get special treatment He also said that police officers who felt aggrieved because they were now subject to transfers, to the districts, had to adjust themselves to the new arrangement, which could not be changed.

Q.—What happens to a J. P. after he is convicted for an offence involving moral turpitude"?

A.—He does not automatically cease to be a J P We have to pass orders.

Mr. Morarji expressed the view that he was against capital punishment. Also he thought it would have been disrespectful to Mahatma Gandhi's memory to have forced people to close down cinema houses on Sarvodaya Day. These things had to be done voluntarily

JAINS NOT PART OF HINDU COMMUNITY

India Government Clarifies

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (UPI).—The Government of India regard Jains as a distinct religious community and they need have no apprehensions of being considered a part of the Hindu community although they have many things in common with the Hindus.

This assurance has been given by the Prime Minister to a deputation of Jains now in Delhi, in the course of a letter to Mr. S. G. Patil, Leader of the deputation.

The assurance is the result of a memorandum submitted by the deputation to Pandit Nehru which waited on him on January 5.

The memorandum asserted that the Harijan Temple Entry Act of the Bombay Government constituted an encroachment on their religion inasmuch as Harijans who were Hindus and not Jains were being allowed entry by the State into Jain temples. The Bombay Beggars' Act also applied to Jain Monks although they were enjoined by their religion to renounce the world and take to the bowl.

The Government of Bombay has decided to continue the Lanja and Kankavli Mahals, in Ratnagiri district, up to February 28, 1951. These mahals were constituted in January, 1945.

More Facilities To Students

INDO-U.S. PACT

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (PTD.—An agreement was signed today between the Governments of India and the United States of America to provide certain educational facilities to students of both nations. The Prime Minister Pandit Nehru signed on behalf of India and the American Ambassador Mr. Loy W. Henderson on behalf of USA.

The agreement provides for financing in rupees for studies of United States citizens in Indian institutions and for transportation costs of Indian students proceeding to the United States for higher studies.

The maximum annual rupee expenditure provided for in the agreement is 400,000 dollars from the proceeds realised from the sale of American surplus property in India. A board consisting of four Indians and four Americans with the American Ambassador as Chairman will administer the fund.

Similar agreements known as Fulbright Agreements after Senator Fulbright of Arkansas have been signed by the United States with 15 other countries, including the United Kingdom, France, China, Burma, Australia, Iran, Egypt, Turkey and Italy.

U. S. ATTITUDE STILL UNCHANGED

Lack Of Understanding Of India's Problems Deplored

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): Indian commercial circles in New York expressed disappointment at the general tenor of the address given yesterday by Assistant Secretary of State George C. McGhee to the Far East America Council of Commerce and Industry, writes D. P. Wagle, PTI Correspondent.

Mr. R. R. Saksena, Consul-General for India in New York, said that Mr. McGhee showed that the approach of the United States Government and of American business generally to the economic problems of India and neighbouring countries had not changed.

Mr. Saksena referred in particular to Mr. McGhee's statement that India and Pakistan should "make more definite statements of their policy" towards both foreign and domestic investors.

Mr. Saksena said that so far as the Indian Government was concerned, it had made clear statements of policy regarding equitable treatment of foreign capital and it could not be more definite or more liberal.

As regards Mr McGhee's warning that the trade dislocation between India and Pakistan might lead to a "permanent" decline in American absorption of natural jute and its products Mr. Saksena said that the Indian Government was fully conscious of the risks they ran if jute goods were not made available to the American market at reasonable prices. But India had to contend against impeded supplies since Pakistan asked for higher prices for its jute in terms of the devalued rupee.

Mr. Magan Sa Dave, President of the Indian Chamber of Commerce of America, said that American business appeared to demand not merely short term but long term guarantees from the Indian Government in its economic policy. India, he said, could not go beyond the assurances it had already given.

Strengthen The New Republic

PLEA TO ENGINEERS

PATNA, Feb. 1, (PTI): Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha, Bihar's Chief Minister speaking at the annual dinner of the Institution of Engineers (India) last night urged engineers to translate the freedom won by politicians in terms of the common man's happiness and thus to stabilise the foundation of the Indian Republic.

Engineers, Mr Sinha said, were scientists in action and their responsibility at this moment of India's history was supreme. It was for them to fulfil the dream of Mahatma Gandhi in the service of mankind.

Mr. K. C. Sarkaia, Chief Commissioner Railways, Government of India, speaking on the occasion said that engineers for their part would accept the full responsibility for the work before them and would never let down the country. He hoped that there would be constant cooperation and understanding between the Government and the engineers and things that concerned experts would be left to them without interference.

MOTHER'S ORNAMENTS TAKEN AWAY

Patwari's Evidence In Razvi Case

SECUNDERABAD, Feb. 1 (UPI):—Patwari of Kondamadugu Estate, Y. Mallaya cross-examined by the defence in the Bibinagar Dacoity Case told the Special Tribunal today that on the day of occurrence (10th January 1948) he, accompanied by Ghulam Mohommud, his Naib, came to Bibinagar on cycle from the estate en route to Hyderabad to deposit Government money.

They missed the train and came home. Soon after the Razakars banged at the door and threatened to fire from the window, whereupon he opened it. No sooner he had done so than he was dragged and beaten by the Razakars who also robbed the Government money.

Ghulam Mohommud, who was not touched, told the assailants that witness was a good man and was a Patwari. The Razakars retorted by saying that they would listen to nothing, there was the Sadar Sahib (Kasim Razvi) and he could go and speak to him.

When his mother came out crying and asked why they were beating her son, the Razakars said that they would spare her son provided she parted with her ornaments. Accordingly, they took away her 'dandakadiyam'.

Subsequently, he was taken before the Sadar Sahib (Kasim Razvi) where his blood-stained shirt was removed by A-6 (Haji Khan) and burnt. The same night he was visited by a police officer to whom he related the entire story, but he did not record his statement and left him saying: "Now you go to sleep."

TRAINING DESTROYER FLOTILLA

Mediterranean C-in-C Thanked

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (PTI): The following signal has been made to Admiral Sir Arthur Power, Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean:

"Personal from C-in-C, Indian Navy. The destroyers of the 11th Indian Destroyer Flotilla arrived in Bombay There is no doubt that their period with the Mediterranean Fleet has benefitted them tremendously and that they obtained the maximum benefit from their attachment, by the great interest taken in them by yourself and by the officers and men under your command. I am most grateful, indeed, and hope you will convey my thanks to all concerned."

The following reply has been received from C-in-C Mediterranean:

"Thank you very much indeed. The 11th Destroyer Flotilla made their period with us a pleasure to all."

NEW FORWARD BLOC CHAIRMAN

Mr. Mohan Singh Elected

CALCUTTA, Feb. 1 (PTI): Mr. Mohan Singh of the INA has been elected Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the All-India Forward Bloc (party of workers and peasants) after the merger of the Desh Sewak Party of India with it.

The new Executive Committee included the Deputy Chairman Mr Sheel Bhadra Yajee, the General Secretary, Mr G. S. Dhillon, Secretaries: Messrs. Satyapriya Banerjee Mahavarat Vidyalankar, K. N Sandilya and Ram Nath Chopra and Treasurer Mr. Dharm Vir Chopra.

The headquarters of the Forward Bloc will be located at Gill Road, Millerganj, Ludhiana (Punjab).

Mr. Mohan Singh announced here today that the Central Executive of the All-India Forward Bloc will meet at Ludhiana on February 17 and 18 and that the first plenary session will be held in the first week of April.

ANOTHER LOAN FOR REHABILITATION

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (UPI): A further loan of Rs. 15 lakhs has been made to the Chief Commissioner, Kutch, for payment as loan to the Sindhu Resettlement Corporation Limited, who are constructing 4,000 houses for displaced persons at Kandla port.

In all Rs. 11,500,000 have been sanctioned by the Rehabilitation Ministry for this purpose which is being paid by instalments. The first instalment of Rs. 35 lakhs was paid some time ago.

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Hightide 00-36, 12-20, Lowtide 60-44 18-22.

Today's Engagements

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITEE: Weekly meeting 3-39 p.m.

BOMBAY ART SOCIETY: Exhibition of paintings of Mr. M.F. Hussain will be opened by Mr. Schlesinger at the Salon, at 6-15 p.m.

SEND OFF TO MR. P. V. GADGIL: A reception at the 'Jamnabhoomi' 6 p.m.

PARSI CHARITY ORGANISATION SOCIETY: 29th Annual meeting will be held in Mr. Merwanji Cama's office Dalal Street at 5 p.m.

KERALA MAHILA SAMAJ: Opening ceremony of the library at the Nair Mahal, Matunga, at 4 p.m.

THIRD STUDENT CINE-GOERS' CONFERENCE: St. Xavier's College Hall at 5-30 p.m.

More Constellations For T W A

BOMBAY, Thursday: With 20 new Lockheed Constellations already on order, Trans World Airline has purchased six more of these 300-mile-an-hour aircraft to provide a total Constellation fleet of 61 when deliveries are completed.

Delivery of these six additional Constellations will start in February and will be completed in time for the spring and summer travel seasons on TWA's international and domestic routes, Mr. Damon TWA President said.

Editor Charged With Contempt Of Court

BOMBAY, Thursday

Mr. M. D. Joshi an M.L.A. and Editor of the "Balwant" weekly was charged with, contempt of Court at the Bombay High Court today.

It was alleged that he published a report of an agricultural meeting and followed it up with an editorial in his journal.

These two publications were said to be prejudical to one P. N. Kanvilkar a landlord of Ratnagiri.

Kanvilkar had filed a suit against some agriculturist for damages and also an appeal in a sub-Divisional Magistrate's Court.

Regret was expressed on behalf of Mr. Joshi at the High Court, today.

PAK PERSECUTION ORGANISED

Refugees' Tale Of Woe

BOMBAY, Thursday: There was an organised underground move to create conditions under which the minority community would find it impossible to live in Pakistan. This was revealed to the UPI by a spokesman of a batch of 59 refugees who arrived in Bombay today from Pakistan by S.S. 'Sabarmati'.

"We have come here dispossessed of everything we had." the spokesman said. "We had decided to stay there till our crops were harvested but conditions were created which compelled us to flee to this country to save our life and honour. The Pakistan Government is bent upon carrying on its policy of persecution and discrimination against the Hindus, in spite of the protests lodged by the Government of India. Pakistan is an Islamic State where no Hindu has a right to live," he added.

CALL FOR RATIONALISING COMMERCIAL EDUCATION

Dr. Muranjan's Plea To The University

BOMBAY, Thursday.

SPEAKING at the annual day of the Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics, Dr. S. K. Muranjan, Principal of the College raised the question of the future of commercial education, and the part which the college has played and will play in future.

Dr. Muranjan asked whether "the time has not already arrived to rationalise and standardise this multiplicity of onslapping tests and qualifications and particularly to eliminate competitive duplication, waste and needless confusion and misunderstanding in the public mind which cause only a lowering of quality and standards."

In the course of his address, Mr. Muranjan said:

The Bombay University has now been relieved of its responsibilities for Gujarat, Maharashtra and Karnatak and must function henceforward as a purely City University. Its structure and constitution have to be suitably revised to enable it to make the best of the new conditions and environment. The present trend of opinion and aspiration appears to be all in the direction of assumption by the University of more and more direct responsibility for post-Intermediate and post-Graduate teaching and research. With this goal, if properly defined and interpreted and if University lecturing is supported, buttressed and vitalised by an adequate and efficient tutorial system, it is impossible not to sympathise. But it is necessary to warn that without a proper definition and arrangement of the scope and administrative responsibilities and without provision of a tutorial system, our future state might easily become worse than the present.

FUTURE GROWTH

With the present physical location of the two Commerce Colleges in this great City, separated as they are by miles and miles, the pooling together and co-ordination of teaching and research resources must have perforce but a narrow and limited scope. In my opinion, the most fruitful line of future growth should be to develop the two Colleges into miniature Universities by themselves, self-contained but with vital contacts for certain special purposes. The vast population of the City and the ever-growing demand from all quarters for more and better commercial education should be a sufficient justification for this policy. To implement this policy, it would be necessary to lay the plan of the new building for this College in such wise that expansion of the size of the College from its present strength of about 750 to a maximum strength of 1,000 should present no difficulties. What the new City University should concentrate on mainly in this specialised field is a ruthless insistence on maintaining the highest standards of teaching and research.

No Commerce College and indeed no comparable educational institution in this country has a wider and more varied ambit of responsibilities and that the Sydenham College is the veritable keystone of the arch of Commercial Education in the State of Bombay. Commercial Education is planned in this State at four different and vital levels—instruction for those of our boys who are not able to cross the Secondary School Certificate hurdle but who are capable of acquiring knowledge of a very limited field of commercial routine; instruction in Commercial High Schools for those who appear for the Secondary School Certificate examination with commercial subjects, instruction for those who hold the Secondary School Certificate but who are employed and must use their limited out of office hours to qualify themselves for more responsible work; and finally, instruction for those who strive for University degrees or specialised professional qualifications.

For the first category of boys, the Principal of this College has to inspect and ensure proper instruction standards in 50 and more recognised classes and institutions scattered in 15 different towns and looking after not less than 3,000 boys. For the second category of boys, the Principal of this College has to inspect in co-operation with the inspection agency and assure instruction standards in nine Commercial High Schools, and also to safeguard and promote commercial education as an ex-officio member of the Secondary School Certificate Board. For the third category of our young men, the Sydenham College runs its evening classes for its Diplomas in Secretarial Practice and Higher Accountancy classes for which the Principal of the College and some members of the Day College Staff have to work from week to week. These diplomas have more than established themselves as equivalent to at least the first examination of the old R. A. and the new Chartered Accountants Examination and I am happy to inform you that the Government have issued orders for doubling the size and the teaching staff of these classes from the next academic year. For the fourth category, we provide instruction here in our day classes.

HAPHAZARD GROWTH

It would not be accurate to claim that this whole structure of commercial education centering on the Sydenham College is the outcome of a deliberately and logically conceived plan. It is I believe the outcome very largely of British and Indian empiricism. Indeed the multiplicity of commercial qualifications, government and private, with and without provision for systematic instruction, the London Chamber of Commerce examinations, the Indian Merchants Chamber examinations, the commercial diploma of the All-India Board of Technical Education, the professional tests held by the Indian Institute of Bankers, Insurance Offices, etc., should be ample proof of the lack of plan and haphazard growth. But times have now changed. All of us and particularly the business community and the Government should consider whether in the light of the new era in our national life, the time has not already arrived to rationalise and standardise this multiplicity of overlapping tests and qualifications and particularly to eliminate competitive duplication, waste and needless confusion and misunderstanding in the public mind which cause only a owering of quality and standards.

Assisting Evacuation Of Needy Refugees

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (UPI): The Government of India have decided that the Indian High Commissioner at Karachi should, in his discretion, assist needy refugees to evacuate to India and that on their evacuation the Provincial Government concerned must give them gratuitous relief and rehabilitation benefits.

One hundred and fifty-two persons were evacuated from Sind on January 17 last.

The Pulse Of The City

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY: Daylight robbery occurred, Monday last, in the flat of Shanti Chandra Pyarelal in Rawal Chambers, Hospital Avenue, Parel while Pyarelal was out. On his return he found that the lock of the flat had been tampered with. On closer inspection he found that cash and jewellery were missing. Shridhar Krishna Patak, suspected to be the alleged burgler, has been arrested and property worth Rs. 2,000 recovered from him.

PUGREE CASE: Vithalji Trivedi, a landlord of Vile Parle, has been sentenced to a day's simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 for accepting pugree of Rs. 500 from a clerk in the Labour Department of the Government of Bombay for letting out a room in his building. The defence plea that the money was taken as a loan to be adjusted against the rent was rejected.

POLICE OUTWITTED, Nine undertrial prisoners, including the main accused of the Central Bank dacoity case, while being taken out of their cells, in Phalton Road Police Station, for their meals, Wednesday, dramatically escaped the lock-up. It was found, later, that the prisoners had cut through a strong wire net curtain and wrenched apart the steel bars of a window behind to escape into the covering darkness. They had covered the hole in the net curtain by a bedsheet. Police after a hectic five-hour search arrested four of them. Five others are still at large.

LIQUOR RAIDS: Inspector Durne and Sub-Inspector Murty of the Preventive Section of the Bombay Prohibition Police raided many places in the northern suburbs of the city, and seized large quantities of illicit liquor. At an open space near Sandra Slaughter House alone they seized four gallons of liquor and 550 gallons of wash. At Kant Khadi, Versova, 1,080 gallons of wash were seized.

TEMPERATURE FALLS: Night temperatures fell sharply by four to seven degrees, Wednesday, and another cool night is expected.

REMANDED: Alleged to have stolen a sum of Rs. 12,000 from his uncle's residence in Madras and absconded to Bombay, Jani Basna, alias, Akbar Hussain was arrested, Wednesday, and remanded into police custody.

FIRE: Port Trust Fire Brigade battled with flames and put out the fire on board the fuel vessel "Khyber" at the Sewri break-up yard.

GHOST CARDS: For being in unauthorised possession of 300 ration cards on which "ghost" rations were stated to have been drawn, Saifuddin Nurulla, a shop-keeper was sentenced to four months' R.I. and a fine of 1,000 rupees.

OFFICE RAIDED: All-India Students' Federation Office at Lamington Road was raided by police and several unauthorised documents seized. No arrest made.

WORKERS' DEMONSTRATION: Over a thousand workers of different woollen mills staged demonstration before Labour Ministers meeting Wednesday, at Mahaluxmi. Their Secretary has threatened a strike in case their demands are not conceded.

B.E.S.T. WORKERS ON PARTIAL STRIKE

Urge Reinstatement Of Dismissed Workers

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The "E" and "H" Routes of the B.E.S.T. bus service are at a complete standstill since this morning owing to a strike of 143 conductors out of the routes.

The strike is a protest against the dismissal of four conductors recently. It is reported that on January 24 the conductors, who have been dismissed, assaulted two checking inspectors near Colaba. The conductors were arrested by the Colaba Police Following departmental enquiries by officials of the Bus Company the conductors were dismissed from service.

The strikers demand reinstatement of the four conductors

Other bus routes are working normally, and are unaffected by the strike.

Australia Day

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2: The Prime Minister has received the following message in response to his Australia Day greetings from Mr. R. J. Menzies, Prime Minister of Australia:

"The Government and people of Australia gratefully acknowledge the cordial greetings and good wishes of the Government and people of India on the anniversary of Australia Day.

"On this occasion the Australian people renew the pledge to work with the people of India in the endeavour to achieve mutual prosperity in the wider field and to attain wood will among the nations and lasting peace throughout the world."

Reservation Of Berths

The G. I. P. Railway authorities are making arrangements as an experimental measure from February 15 for reservation of class one berths by 5 down Punjab Mail from the stations of Kalyan, Igatpuri, Devlali, Nasik Road, Manmad, Chalisgaon, Jalgaon, Bhusaval, and Burhanpur. The 5 down Punjab Mail halts at these stations.

According to the railway authorities the number of berths available for this intermediate reservations is limited to six berths each day on the whole. Reservations will be done only for journeys exceeding 250 miles. A non-refundable charge of rupee one per ticket either child or adult will be charged in addition to the fare.

Journey tickets for these reservations will be issued from ten days in advance at the station. Tickets must be purchased at least seven days in advance. In case reservation is not arranged, full fares will be refunded at the station itself

TODAY'S RADIO

FRIDAY, FEB. 3

Air News From Delhi

English 8 a.m. 1-30 p.m. 6, 9 Gujarati 8-45 a.m. 1 p.m. 7-15; Hindustani 8-15 a.m. 1-40 p.m. 6-10 9-15; Kannada 7-45 a.m. 7-45 p.m.; Malayalam 7-30 a.m. 7-30 p.m.; Marathi 8-30 a.m. 12-50 p.m. 8; Tamil 7-15 a.m. 2 p.m.; Telugu 7 a.m 1-50 p.m. 7.

BOMBAY

7-30 a.m. Bhor Bhaee 7-35 Physical Education 7-40 Today's programme 7-45 Surangi Vakil geet 8-15 N. Sarnaik kh. vilambit 12-45 p.m. Tantrakari 12-50 S. Vakil G geet 1-40 Concert for concerto 5 Hindi by radio 5-20 G. G. Kharadkar violin 5-30 D. N. Mane bhimpalas 6-10 Music lessons 6-30 N. Sarnaik kh. vilambit 7-10 Locals 7-20 D. N. Mane lalita gauri 7-45 For industrial workers 9-15 Surangi Vakil G geet 9-30 Film songs 9-45 Story of philosophy 10 R. Merrill baritone 10-15 Ken Mac's band.

VARIATIONS. 8 a.m. G. G. Kharadkar violin 8-45 S. M. Govande M songs 1 p.m. S M. Govande M songs 1-10 Bhakti bhav 1-50 For women 5 Hindi by radio 6 B. G. Rithe vocal 6-20 For rural listeners 7-30 Commercial news 8-15 B. G Rithe vocal 8-30 T. R. Devgirikar gram sudharan M 8-45 Month's song M 9 Jaltarang and violin 10 N. Sarnaik kh. vilambit.

BARODA

7-30 a.m. Air quartet 7-40 Physical education 7-45 A. H.Khan bhairavin 8-15 As in Ahmedabad 8-30 K. Tanjarekar geet 5-30 p.m. S. K. Bidwe tabla 5-45 As in Ahmedabad 6-10 Hindi lessons 6-30 For rural listeners 7 As in Ahmedabad 7-15 G. Patel talk on Kashmir 7-30 S. K. Bidwe gat tora 7-45 K. Tanjorekar bhajans 8 Geet pallavi 8-10 Locals 8-30 As in Ahmedabad 9-30 Listeners' requests.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 As in Baroda 7-40 Physical education 7-45 As in Baroda 8-15 Vandana 5-30 p.m. As in Baroda 5-45 R. K. Karve kh. multani 6-20 Hindi lessons 6-30 Master Madankumar pads 6-45 R. K. Karwe puria dhanashri 7 Raase rame 7-15 G. Patel talk on Kashmir G 7-30 For industrial workers 8 Master Madankumar 8-10 Locals 8-30 R. K. Karve chameli full 9-30 Kalidas and M. Bux dilruba, sarangi 9-45 Master Madankumar pads.

B. B. C.

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE: 6-45 a.m British Political Weeklies 7 Ray Martin 7-30 Meet the Commonwealth 8 Sandy Macpherson at the Theatre Organ 8-15 Special Dispatch 8-45 BBC Northern Orchestra 10 Roland Peachey and His Mayfair Orchestra 10-30 Scottish Magazine 11 Sports Review 11-15 Listeners' Choice 11-45 Philharmonia Orchestra 12-45 p.m. Programme Parade 1 Dance Music 1-30 From the Third Programme 2-30 Export Jigsaw 2 Listeners' Choice 3-45 Bert Balmer and the Critic 4 Primo Scala and His Accordeon Band 4-45 Think on these things 5 From the Third Programme 5-30 From the Editorials 5-45 London Light Concert Orchestra 6-45 Merchant Navy Newsletter 7 The Women's Programme 7-45 BBC Scottish Orchestra 8-45 Jazz Club 9-15 World Affairs 9-45 Listeners' Choice 10-30 The Debate Continues.

EASTERN SERVICE: 7-30 Book of Verse 8 Inglisran Ke Dehat 8-10 Hafta-I-Rawan 8-20 Radio Se Angrezi 8-30 Mahila Samaj 8-45 Ham Se Puchiye.

THUNDERSHOWERS IN PUNJAB

All-India Weather

POONA, Feb. 2, (P. T. I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Thursday:—

A western disturbance moving across the extreme north of the country has caused widespread thundershowers in the East Punjab and the West United Provinces

FORECAST VALID UNTIL FRIDAY EVENING: Thundershowers will occur locally in the West United Provinces and the hills of the East Punjab and at a few stations in Vindhya Pradesh, the northern districts of Madhya Bharat and the southern districts of the East United Provinces.

Night temperatures will fall in the East Punjab, the United Provinces, Madhya Bharat, Vindhya Pradesh, the West Central Provinces and Gujarat.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, with total rainfall from 1st December, 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8-30 a.m. (I. S. T.). Thursday, the 2nd February 1950:—

Ahmedabad 79 55 0 0 minus 0.1, Bangalore 83 59 0 0 minus 0.7, Baroda 83 49 0 0 minus 0.1, Bhavanagar 84 50 0 0 minus 0.1, Bhopal 84 55 0 0 minus 0.4, Bhuj 73 44 0 0 minus 0.2, BOMBAY 82 64 0 0 minus 0.2, Cawnpore 78 56 0 0.6 minus 0.3, Cherrapunji 63 50 0 0.2 minus 1.1, Coimbatore 87 66 0 0 minus 2.9, Colombo 86 70 0 4.1 minus 5.4, Cuddapah 92 65 0 0 minus 1.2, Cuttack Nil, Darjeeling 51 36 0 0.5 minus 0.3, Devgad 83 68 0 0 —, Dehra Dun 70 49 0.2 4.8 plus 1.2, Delhi 72 48 0 0.5 minus 0.9, Gaya — 59 0 0.7 minus 0.3, Gorakhpur 80 56 0 0.9 —, Gwalior 79 55 0 1.1 —, Gulbarga 92 63 0 0 minus 0.4, Hanamkonda 92 67 0 0 minus 0.6, Harnai 98 64 0 0 —, Honavar 88 65 0 0 —, Hyderabad (Dn.) 91 57 0 0 minus 0.6, Indore 88 46 0 0 minus 0.5, Jacobabad Nil, Jaipur 66 43 0 0 minus 0.7, Jamnagar — — — — —, Jamshedpur 92 64 0 0 —, Jubbulpore 89 56 0 0 minus 1.2, Karachi 74 54 0 0.5 minus 0.2, Khandwa 89 54 0 0 minus 0.6, Kodaikanal 63 42 0 0.4 minus 7.9, Kolhapur 91 58 0 0 —, Kurnool 93 61 0 0 minus 0.6, Lahore 65 39 0 1.6 0, Mangalore 92 71 0 0 minus 0.6, Mercara 79 — 0 0.2 minus 0.7, Mussoorie 49 36 0.2 3.9 minus 0.7, Mysore 87 63 0 0 minus 0.5, Ootacamund 70 46 0 0 minus 3.0, Pachmarhi 89 48 0 0.1 minus 1.0, Palamcottah — — 0.1 minus 5.0, Patiala 68 47 0.2 2.6 —, Poona 93 56 0 0 minus 0.2, Rajkot 78 46 0 0 minus 0.1, Sholapur 93 62 0 0 minus 0.6, Simla 46 28 0.4 6.2 plus 2.2, Surat 82 55 0 0 minus 0.2.

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Sterling Position Reviewed

MORE STEEL LIKELY FROM BRITAIN

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1.

The joint consultative committee on the sterling balances today concluded its three-day session. Its British members are leaving for London tomorrow.

A review of the dollar position having been completed during the Colombo conference, the committee reviewed the sterling position vis-a-vis India's withdrawals since June 1949. The committee was told that India's foreign trade policy would bridge the payments gap with further withdrawals amounting to fifty million pounds during the twelve months ending June 1951.

India was striving hard to live within the allocations for the current year (ending June 1950), but could not yet indicate whether last year's over-spending could be liquidated by the sixty million pounds released for that purpose.

That the Indo-British pattern of trade remained largely intact was explained from the fact that 70 per cent of India's imports came from Britain.

Reviewing the supply position the committee noted India's shortages, particularly in steel, non-ferrous metals, chemicals and medicines, and her desire to import certain custom-yielding articles. Indications are available that Britain would strive to allot to India larger quantities of steel, chemicals, medicines and certain consumer goods. The non-ferrous metals position, however, still remains difficult.

ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR MANIPUR

Political Parties Asked To Submit Names

IMPHAL, Feb. 1, (UPI): An Advisory Council would shortly be formed in Manipur which was recently made a Chief Commissioner's province. This Advisory Council would consist of 12 Advisers—four representatives from the hills areas and eight from the valley areas.

This was disclosed by Shri Himmat Singh, Chief Commissioner, Manipur State, in an interview to the United Press.

The two largest political parties in the State—Manipur State Congress and the Praja Shanti Party, have, it is stated, already been requested to submit their panel of names of Advisers.

10,000 New Refugees Reach W. Bengal

CALCUTTA, Feb. 1, (PTI): About 10,000 East Bengal Hindus are reported to have arrived at the border town of Bongaon in West Bengal as refugees from Bagerhat sub-division, following disturbances in that area early last month, it was learnt here today.

A West Bengal Government spokesman said that more people affected by the disturbances were still coming from that area.

PAKISTAN NEWSLETTER

NEW PARTY IN PAKISTAN

League Is Losing Ground?

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, (By Air Mail).

EFFORTS to form a new political organisation of the people, by the people and for the people which will be parallel to the All Pakistan Muslim League have been going on for the past few months and a final decision in this respect will be taken next month at a Conference of workers from all over the Pakistan Dominion to be held in Lahore.

A Convention of prominent leaders from Punjab, NWFP and other places who are responsible for the establishment of parallel League organisations in their respective provinces, took place in Rawalpindi last week in this connection 'to explore the possibilities of the formation of a bold and independent party in Pakistan which could be honestly critical of Government in matters of principle and control, and direct internal and external policies of the Government.'

During the speeches made at the Convention, strong criticism of the All Pakistan Muslim League's present policy and Leadership was voiced, describing it as a handmaiden of the present Government which had been overriding the party quite frequently.

NEED FOR REFORM

Quasi Mohomed Aslam of Peshawar emphasized the need for a radical reform and reorganisation of the All Pakistan Muslim League or the formation of another 'healthy political party'.

Mr. Mahmood, former General Secretary of the now dissolved States' Muslim League said that people of 'doubtful bona fides' were being placed in high fides' tions in the party organisation while those who had rendered sterling service to the cause were being turned out.

The Pir Saheb of Manki Sharif, the most influential religious head amongst the Pathans, declared that the League was the handmaid of the Government while it ought to have been independent of the Government. Pir Saheb further accused the League of having failed to implement its programme envisaging the establishment of an Islamic Society and enforcement of Islamic form of social justice in Pakistan. Unless the League is able to abolish un-Islamic discrimination between the rich and the poor it would not regain full confidence of the masses in Pakistan.

Maulana Abdul Satar Niazi of Punjab regretted that there should have been so much poverty in a land of plenty like Pakistan. He said that all social discrepancies could be eliminated in a short time if the leaders really understood and tried to implement the Islamic ideal of social justice.

Sahed Suhrawardy (Bengal) also joined in the criticism of the present League policy and said that 'the League had now changed and the time had come to pause and take stock of the situation.

He was also critical of the present Government tendencies which he said were 'dictatorial and fascist'. Public Safety Acts and Fifth-column scare were being used to silence all criticism and comment on the Government which was most un-Islamic.

KASHMIR

"We have not forgotten the barbarities committed by the Sikhs in East Punjab in mid-1947. Let me warn you that if we forget our Kashmiri brethren for a single moment, it will not only be detrimental to them but also to our hard-won Pakistan as the very existence of Pakistan depended on Kashmir." said Mian Abdul Bari, President of the Punjab Muslim League, while unfurling the Flag on 'Azad Kashmir Day, last week in Karachi.

This flag hoisting ceremony was the inauguration of a three-day drive for the collection of a fund for widows and children of Kashmiri martyrs, launched by the Azad Kashmir Flag Day committee. A sum of over Rs. 30,000 was collected by way of selling flags during these three days.

PAKISTAN CURRENCY

Since 'rupee' was the name of the Indian currency, Pakistan authorities were seriously considering the question of remaining its own currency.

Side by side, there is a move to change the designs of Pakistan coins also. The new Pakistani standard coin will not only appear under a new name but with a new face too. This coin will, however, continue to be 180 grains (troy) in weight and have the same size with no change in its nickel composition.

This new coin will be minted as soon as the decision with regard to its name is made by the Government of Pakistan.

PAKISTAN ROADS CONGRESS

Formation of a Roads Congress establishment of a Central Roads organisation and creation of a Central Roads Fund, are the three important decision taken by the Pakistan Government recently to give fillip to road development programme throughout the country.

The first Pakistan roads Congress is to meet next month. The Fund is expected to be created shortly and the Central Roads Organisation would start functioning as soon as the Fund has been created on the lines of the Indian Roads Congress.

REFUGEES IN KARACHI

According to figures gathered from the Education Ministry, as many as 38 School buildings belonging to non-Muslims were still being occupied by the refugees in Karachi, for their residential purposes.

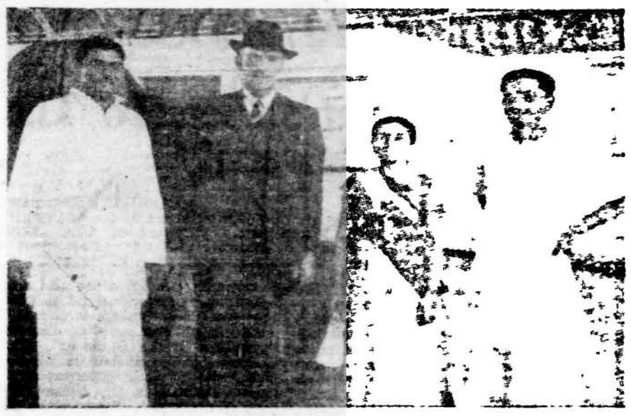
The Administration for the Federal Capital was trying its best to provide alternative arrangements to these refugees who were living in the school buildings for over two years now and then restart schools in these buildings for the benefit of school-going children whose number now was nearly half-a lakh compared to the pre-partition figure of 44,600.

According to an official announcement, the British Government have accepted an invitation from the Pakistan Government to send an Industrial Mission to Pakistan which will arrive here on Feb. 26 and spend about three weeks in the Dominion.

The Mission will explore the steps to be taken to assist the flow of trade in both directions between U.K. and Pakistan, and particularly on the way in which the U.K. Industrial and Commercial interests could assist in the planning and execution of Pakistan's development schemes.

SHRI M.S. GOLWALKAR: Sri M.S. Golwalkar, the R.S.S. Chief, is arriving in Hyderabad on the February 3. After spending a day in the city he will leave for Aurangabad.

BRITISH LABOUR LEADER GOES HOME



Mr. Albert Robert of the British Trade Union Congress, left by air Wednesday for the United Kingdom. He is seen above with three representatives of the Hindustan Mazdoor Sangh who came to see him off.

PAKISTAN'S STORIES ARE FANTASTIC

India Has Never Tried To Drive Away Muslims

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2, (UPI).

OFFICIAL circles today expressed surprise at what they described as "fantastic" stories put out by Pakistan about Muslims being driven out of their homes in India and forced to take refuge in Pakistan.

A recent press note issued by the Pakistan High Commissioner in India claimed that over 250,000 permits were issued between October 1948 and October 1949 to Muslims going over to Pakistan out of which 182,000 permits were for permanent settlement.

If there is any truth in these figures at all, the official circles here say, they obviously relate to all Muslims leaving India for Pakistan, majority of whom came to India on short visits to collect their belongings, etc. The claim that these Muslims were given permanent settlement in Pakistan has, therefore, no significance since they came to India only on flying visits and had already settled permanently in Pakistan.

According to the official circles here, only a few thousand Muslims, certainly below 10,000, who were mostly converts and wanted to leave for Pakistan, or those whose relatives had already settled in Pakistan, have left India through Jullundur camp.

These "fantastic" stories, therefore, they feel, were prompted by the release of figures by the Government of India to the effect that nearly 8,000 permits for permanent settlement had been given to Muslims recently in addition to three lakhs of Muslims who were allowed to stay in India before the introduction of the permit system.

PAKISTAN PILGRIMS REACH DELHI

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2, (UPI).—A batch of 100 Muslim pilgrims from Pakistan arrived in Delhi this morning to participate in the Urs of Hazrat Nizamuddin Auhlia, which would commence from February 4 and last till February 8.

Arrangements for their stay have been made by the Chief Commissioner of Delhi.

KEEPING U. S. OIL OUT OF COMMONWEALTH

British Move Resented

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): President Truman and the United States Senate are to consider a letter said to be from Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, British Colonial Secretary, to the East African Government at Nairobi about British and American oil imports, the "New York Times" reported from Washington yesterday.

The letter is in the possession of the National Petroleum Council, official Advisory Body to the Interior Ministry, and is said to prove that Britain plans to keep American oil out of the whole Commonwealtn and Sterling Area, and not merely the United Kingdom and the colonies.

The letter was read at a recent meeting of the Council, the newspaper said, and caused such a storm of protest that it was decided to bring it to the attention of the President. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee is expected to see it this week.

The "New York Times" said the British decision to curtail oil imports was first intimated at last September's tripartite financial talks between the United States, Britain and Canada.

ALLEGED SUPPLY OF POISONED FOOD

Pakistan Claims Refuted

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (UPI).

Official circles today expressed surprise at a Press Note issued by the Pakistan authorities recently, alleging that sometime in 1947 Muslim evacuees in East Punjab were supplied with poisoned food. The incident related to 6,000 refugees from Kurali camp who arrived in Pakistan in November 27.

Of these evacuees, it was stated, 2,000 were found sick on arrival and 41 of them actually died. The West Punjab Government, the Press Note, further stated, had lodged a protest with the East Punjab Government and having failed to elicit any satisfactory reply had taken up the matter with the Government of India.

The facts according to these circles are that in 1948 the East Punjab Government was approached by the Government of West Punjab with the suggestion for a joint inquiry into the alleged supply of poisonous food to Muslim refugees in Kurali camp. The East Punjab Government, however, replied that no useful purpose would be served by holding a joint inquiry in view of the lapse of time and that the East Punjab Government had themselves made enquiries at that time and were satisfied that the atta supplied to the inmates of the Kurali camp did not contain any poisonous substance.

The Government of India, it is pointed out, have not received any further communications from the Government of Pakistan on this subject.

SUGAR STOCK AND PRODUCTION

Figures For Last Half Of December

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (UPI).—The opening stock, production, despatches and the closing stock of sugar in respect of Central sugar factories in the Indian Republic including Hyderabad during the fortnight ending December 31, 1949, were 1,79,000 mds., 3,268,000 mds., 909,000 mds., and 4,150,000 mds., respectively, reports the Director, Indian Institute of Sugar Technology, Kanpur, on the basis of return received under Sugar Production Rules, 1935.

The figures for the corresponding fortnight of the previous season were 5,436,000 mds., 1,802,000 mds., 1,437,000 mds., and 5,801,000 mds., respectively. Figures for the current fortnight relate to 128 factories representing 96.83 per cent of the total cane crushing capacity while the figures of the previous year relate to 124 factories representing 94.59 per cent of the total cane crushing capacity.

The total figures for the production and despatches of sugar since November 1, 1949, are reported to be 5,095,000 mds., and 2,099,000 mds., respectively as against the corresponding figures of 2,999,000 mds., and 3,509,000 mds., during the previous season.

Meshwo Canal Project

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Feb. 1: The Bombay Public Works Minister, Dr. Jivraj Mehta has recently issued peremptory directions to the Superintending Engineer, Project Section, Gujarat Circle, to speed up the execution of the Meshwo Canal project before the monsoon sets in.

Goondas On Hunger-Strike

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Feb. 1: Four goondas named Chandulal Ambalal Amin, Shantilal Chhotabal Amin, Bachubhai Purushottamdas Amin and Maganbhai Kabhai, who were arrested at Vaso on January 25 in connection with the murder of a student of the high school at Vaso at Nadiad, have gone on hunger-strike.

Gross Indiscipline Of B. E. S. T. Workers

CORPORATORS' CRITICISM

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE reckless ways of the BEST drivers and conductors and their gross indiscipline came in for strong criticism at an urgent meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation today. The House threw out by a majority vote a Socialist-sponsored resolution requesting the BEST Committee to concede without delay the demands of the BEST workers recently submitted to the authorities through their Union.

Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor, presided.

The demands of the workers as embodied in the resolution were in respect of the service conditions of the workers, with special reference to gratuity, compensation for the loss of bonus, increase in wage, hard duties, long hours of work, leave rules and protection from arbitrary penalisation. The list of demands was submitted to the BEST Manager on December 12.

Moving the resolution, Mr. Adam Adil (Socialist) said that unfair treatment of the workers by the management and its attempt to encourage rival unions in spite of the fact that the BEST Workers' Union had been recognised as a representative union under the Industrial Disputes Act, had led to a great discontent among the workers. The grievances of the workers were genuine, Mr. Adam believed. If an honest attempt were to be made to redress them, it would go a long way towards removing the prevailing discontent.

Mr. Adil warned that if the authorities failed to concede the demands with grace and without any undue delay, the city would shortly be faced with a major transport crisis. He hoped wiser counsels would prevail.

MOTION OPPOSED

Mr. Salebhai Abdul Kader, Chairman of the Standing Committee, opposing the resolution said that the workers' attitude towards the travelling public was far from satisfactory. They had gained a notoriety for irresponsibility. They still continued to harass passengers. Always in a hurry, the bus-drivers would not halt to pick up a few passengers waiting in a queue at the stop, and that too, in spite of the vehicle being partially empty. This callous disregard of public feelings had created a gulf between them and the travelling public, and in spite of attempts on the part of the management to bridge it, it had been widening day by day.

As an instance of indiscipline, Mr Salebhai said that on an average there was 30 per cent of absenteeism among them. The result was several buses would be lying idle, which otherwise would have been on the road. This indicated that workers had enough money and that they did not care for work.

The Standing Committee Chairman said that the only way in which the workers could get their demands conceded was by submitting to discipline and by serving the public. If they improved their behaviour the Committee would not hesitate to do their best for them.

GENUINE GRIEVANCES

Mr. M. Harris pointed out that many of the grievances of the workers were genuine. The wages were low and the working hours long. The absenteeism figures cited by Mr. Salebhai were rather exaggerated and required closer scrutiny.

Mr. Dahyabhai Patel, leader of the Congress Party, said that there was not a single grievance worth consideration which necessitated a special meeting of the Corporation. After the municipalisation of the BEST services, the workers' lot had improved and they were getting a fair deal. The unfortunate fact was that they were illadvised by their own union leaders. He called upon the union leaders to desist from taking up a wrong cause.

Mr. Patel charged that the lightning strike to which some of the workers had resorted today was due to the wrong advice of the leaders. Such a "show" was to be condemned in the larger interest of the public. If the workers had any legitimate grievances, the proper course was to approach the BEST Committee.

The resolution when put to the vote was lost by a large majority. The Socialists asked for a poll, which was granted. The result was the same.

LIFT THE BAN

Earlier, the Mayor ruled out of order a resolution moved by Mr. S. A. Kesulkar, calling upon the Government of Bombay to lift the ban imposed on the physical training, drills and other activities of the Rashtriya Seva Dal.

A resolution moved by Mr. Homi Taleyarkhan requested the Municipal Commissioner to report through the Works Committee on the desirability of giving permits to those landlords who wanted to raise additional storeys to their buildings.

Mr. Talevarkhan said that this was necessary in view of the acute housing shortage in the city. He further suggested that the Commissioner should devise some ways by which a tenant could be fascilitated to raise additional floors to a building at his own cost if the landlord failed or refused to do so on the ground of financial stringency. The resolution was carried.

T.B. CLINICS

The House also adopted another resolution moved by Mr. Taleyarkhan, urging the Commissioner to consider, through the Public Health and Medical Relief Committee, the desirability of having more T.B. clinics in the city, so that the T.B. patients may be able to obtain the "domiciliary" treatment that they badly needed. He pointed out that the incidence of tuberculosis in the city was on the increase. Over five lakhs of people were infected by it. There were only three T.B. clinics and one hospital in the city. These were inadequate. More clinics with a greater number of beds than at present were therefore essential, he said.

The resolution was carried by a large majority.

EXCHANGE OF ENVOYS WITH NEW CHINA

Sen Asked To Proceed To Peking

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (PTI): The Government of India have directed Mr. A. K. Sen, India's Charge d'Affaires in Nanking to proceed to Peking in a fortnight's time to discuss preliminary and procedural matters in connection with the exchange of diplomatic missions between India and the Communist Government in China, it is authoritatively learnt here today.

The Government of India announced their recognition of the Communist regime in China and their willingness to establish diplomatic relations with that Government on December 30.

A request for recognition of their regime and establishment of diplomatic relations was received from the Peking Government in October last year.

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W. Bengal's Concern Over Khulna Disturbances

CALCUTTA, February 1, (PTI).

THE WEST BENGAL GOVERNMENT has, it is learnt, drawn the attention of the East Bengal Government to the recent disturbances at Bagerhat in Khulna District and other parts of East Bengal in which members of the minority community are alleged to have suffered a lot.

They have also enquired as to what steps had so far been taken by the Pakistan authorities in this respect, but no reply has yet been received by the West Bengal Government to their communication.

The West Bengal Government are also pressing for an early conference of the Chief Secretaries of West Bengal and East Bengal to discuss matters of mutual interest and concern and also the recent disturbances in some parts of East Bengal. No agreed date, it is stated, has so far been fixed.

SCHOOLS XI MATCH ENDS IN A DRAW

Commonwealth Side Hit Up 404 For 4 And Declare

BOMBAY, Feb. 2. (PTI).

The two day match between the Schools in India Eleven ended in a draw at the Brabourne Stadium here today.

Scoring almost off every ball the Commonwealth batsmen made 404 in 212 minutes for the loss of four wickets in reply to the Schools Eleven's 218, before "Jock" Livingston declared his side's innings closed shortly before tea.

About 1,000 people saw the Commonwealth Cricket team commence their reply to the Schools in India Eleven's 218 on the second and last day's play at the Brabourne Stadium here today.

Livingston and Winston Place, who opened the Commonwealth innings put on 110 runs in two hours for the first wicket, despite keen ground fielding. With Langdon as his partner Livingston put on 105 runs in 30 minutes for the second wicket and after their departure Lambert in 25 minutes made 52 runs including two sixers and five fours, his highest score of the Indian tour so far.

But had the youngsters shown as keen an anticipation when Commonwealth batsmen skied the ball as they showed in their ground work Livingston might not have been in a position to declare when he did. Livingston, who got his century before lunch, skied the ball no less than five times but every time the fielders after getting their hands to it put the ball on the floor. Late in the day their wicket-keeper however made amends by taking a well-judged catch after running about a dozen yards.

Lunch was taken at the fall of Place's wicket when Livingston was 112 in a total of 170 for one wicket. In his two hours stay Place hit five fours.

Livingston and lefthander Wally Langdon resumed the Commonwealth innings to the bowling of Tauffiq Hussain who had to bowl three balls to complete the over begun before lunch. Trivedi at the Churchgate end was the other bowler. Livingston hooked Trivedi for the first six of the match and with a straight six off Tauffiq Hussain sent up 200 of the innings in 126 minutes.

Livingston reached his 150 in 135 minutes including 1 four and got his third "life". Thereafter, Palwankar dropped an easy catch at mid-off off Tauffiq. With a single off Trivedi, Langdon sent up 250 of the innings in 140 minutes, 70 runs being scored in 20 minutes after lunch.

When he was 173 Livingston hooked Tauffiq but Ghorpade at deep square-leg dropped an easy catch, the batsman getting a four. The Commonwealth skipper skied Trivedi in the next over but the bowler dropped another easy catch. Livingston who was bent on stepping out to every ball however was, easily stumped in Tauffiq Hussain's over (225/2/174). During his 150 minutes stay Livingston hit two sixers and 23 fours and with Langdon added 105 runs for the second wicket in 30 minutes.

At 404 for the loss of four wickets Livingston declared the Commonwealth innings 32 minutes before tea.

With a deficit of 186 runs the schools eleven commenced their second knock with Gosalia and Oak twenty minutes before tea. Ray Smith from the Club end, Frank Worrell from the Churchgate end were in charge of the attack. Smith's first over was a maiden but Worrell got three wickets in his first over without a single run on the board With hs first ball he clean bowled Oak, took Gurav's leg stump with the third and off the fifth Tauffiq Hussain was declared leg before. Ubhaykar joined Gosalia.

The first scoring stroke by School was a drive by four by Gosalia off Smith. Gosalia hooked Worrell for four and at the other end Ubhaykar drove Smith for four and a single. At tea the Schools had made 15 for three wickets, Gosalia batting 9 and Ubhaykar batting 6.

Tribe took the ball at 103 at the Club end and bowled a maiden. Ubhaykar hooked Freer in Langdon's hands at squareleg, (10-5-61). In his 67 minutes stay Ubhaykar hit one six and ten fours with his next ball Freer clean bowled Manjrekar. Seth scored a single off the last ball before he close and the match ended in a draw, the Schools having 109 for the loss of six wickets.

SCORE BOARD

SCHOOLS IN INDIA XI (First Innings) 218

COMMONWEALTH (First Innings)

L. Livingston ct. Oak b Hussain	114
W. Place c Gurav b Tauffiq Hussain	65
W. Langdon c Manjrekar b Ghorpade	54
F. Worrel not out	37
R. Lambert c Oak b Hussain	52
G. Tribe not out	
Extras	4
Total (for 4 declared)	404

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. B. Palwankar	5	0	27	0
M. P. Trivedi	6	1	95	0
R. K. Gurav	6	1	22	0
R. R. Gosalia	1	0	..	0
J. M. Ghorpade	11	0	7	0
Tauffq Hussain	19	0	125	3
Kirpalsingh	2	0	..	0
Majrekar	4	0	2	0

SCHOOLS IN INDIA (2nd Innings)

R. R. Gosalia st Dawkes b Place	35
V. S. Oak b Warrell	0
R. K. Gurav b Worrell	0
Tauffiq Hussain lbw Worrell	0
N. N. Ubhaykar c Langdon b Freer	61
V. L. Manjrekar b Freer	10
J. M. Ghorpade not out	0
J. Seth not out	1
Extras	2

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ray Smith	6	1	20	0
F. Worrell	6	1	12	3
W. Longdon	4	1	24	0
J. K. Holt	4	0	19	0
W. Place	2	0	20	1
L. Livingston	1	0	2	0
F. Freer	2	0	10	2
G. Tribe	1	1	0	0

AUSTRALIANS WIN BY AN INNINGS

WITSANK, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter)

The Australians today beat North Eastern Transvaal Country Districts by an innings and 170 runs here.

They dismissed Country Districts for 59 in their second innings after declaring their own first innings closed at the overnight 344 for 5.

Country Districts made 115 in their first innings.

The second knock lasted only 94 minutes. Resistance crumbled before accurate bowling by Geoff Noblett, (4 for 20) and Ian Johnson (3 for 23), and the Australians won with half a day to spare.

Eastern Transvaal Country Districts (first innings) 115 and Second innings:— C. Murray Miller 3, Naish c Saggers b walker 2, Cumming 1 b w, b Johnson 6, Hall run out 12, Burrow c Morris b Noblet 5, J. Murray b Noblet 12, b Johnston b Noblet 5, Duplooy st. Saggers b Johnson 10, Allen st. Saggers b Johnson 0, Armitage c Miller b Noblet 2, Taylor not out 1, extras 1, total 59.

Bowling Analysis:- Miller 4/0/9/1 Walker 4/2/6/1 Ian Johnston 8/0 23/3 Noblet 7,2/1/20/4.

Australians (first innings) 344 for five declared.

CALCUTTA WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2.

Calcutta became champions of the Bengal, Bihar and Orissa Area Athletic Sports which concluded today at the Calcutta Cricket Club ground, Eden Gardens.

Before the games opened there was an impressive march past of about one hundred competitors to the playing of the band of the Third Sikh Regiment.

Calcutta scored 49 points in the athletics as against Bihar (last year's champions) who scored 37 points. The athletics were preceded by football, boxing, hockey, and volley ball tournaments. Calcutta's points in the overall championship were 58 while Bihar had 42.

The toournaments were decided with the following results:—

Football—Calcutta Boxing—Calcutta, Hockey—Calcutta, and Volley Ball—Bihar.

BANGALORE AREA BEAT CEYLON POLICE

Exhibition Football At Bangalore

BANGALORE, Feb 2, (P. T. I): Bangalore Area beat Ceylon Police by two goals to nil in an exhibition football match played here today at the Sulaivan Police Grounds.

A party of Ceylon Police consisting of football, hockey and cricket players are here on the invitation of the Madras Area.

The play was of a very poor standard and there was nothing worth mentioning in the match. After a barren first half the subarea scored the two goals in the second half.

ANOTHER RANGERS CLUB BOXING VENTURE

Civilians To Meet Naval Boxers On February 20

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Rangers Club, we are informed, are hoping to stage another boxing tournament at the C. J. Hall on, or about, the 20th February, consisting of a series of bouts between civilian and naval boxers.

It is hoped that the arrival of the British cruiser H. M. "Mauritius," which will be visiting Bombay during that time, will lend additional interest to this latest venture on the part of the Rangers Club. The members of the crew of this cruiser should be able to provide a strong contingent to supplement the Indian N vy boxers.

Clubs are requested to contact Mr. Terry Adams, C/o C. I. D. Office, Head Police Office, Telephone 39811 (Extension 345) if they wish to secure bouts for their boxers on the programme.

In the Day's Sport

TENNIS

P. J. Hindu Gymkhana

3-30 p.m. Presidency Hard Court Championships.

Bombay Gymkhana.

4-30 p.m. P. V. M. Women's Open Tournament.

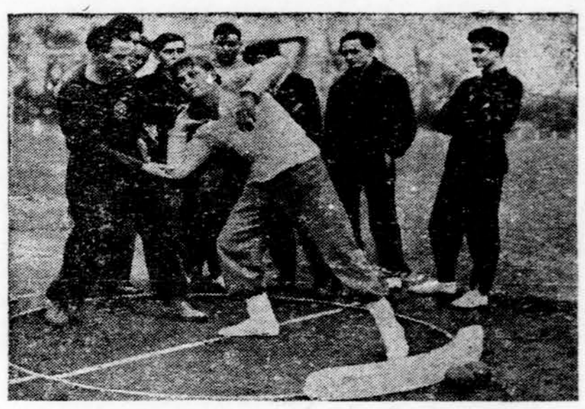
HOCKEY

Cooperage

4-10 p.m. Dolphin S. C. vs. B. P. T. "B" (Third Division).

5-20 p.m. Goa XI vs. Rest (Replay of Festival semi-final).

COACHING BRITAIN'S YOUNG ATHLETES



Sixty young athletes attended the special training course held recently at the London University ground at Motspur Park, Surrey, under the direction of Mr. Geoffrey Dyson, Chief of the Amateur Athletic Association. This is part of a general coaching scheme to improve athletes throughout Britain. A 16-year-old boy is seen above being shown how to get the best out of a putt, by A. R. Malcolm, the National Coach for the Midlands.

PRESIDENCY TENNIS STARTS TODAY

Narayan Rao And Owen Likely Participants

(By Our Tennis Correspondent)

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE Bombay Presidency Hard Court Tennis Championships, the preliminary rounds of which are due to commence tomorrow at the Hindu Gymkhana Courts at the Kennedy Sea face, has attracted most of the leading local players, including G. Vasant, the holder of the title.

Vasant, who has shown considerable improvement over his last year's form, went down to the former Czechoslovakian Davis Cup player, Vladimir Cernik in the Western India Championships singles final yesterday at the Bombay Gymkhana.

In addition to the local players, A. E. Owen from Bangalore and Narayan Rao from Madras are expected to participate, and these challengers from the South of India should lend colour to this major tournament this year.

The draw for the men's singles event, which has attracted as many as seventy-two entrants, was held last evening. Eight players have been seeded. The pride of place going to Madras "A" player, who is expected to be Narayan Rao. Narayan Rao it will be recollected had figured in the final of the same tournament last year.

The seeded player, who will not be required to play before the fourth round, are:

Madras "A", G. Vasant, C. L. Savara, Mahindra Singh, F. Bekkevold, A. E. Owen, J. M. Kantawalla and T. Baxi.

The draw for the men's singles is as follows:

First Quarter

MADRAS "A" bye into the fourth round; Govindji Khatau vs. Rasik Kumar of Wankaner; P. N. Sarangpani vs. Bhogilal C. Shah; J. N. Kothari vs. R. N. Bhagwat; R. N. Walton vs. K. Wattumal; P. K. Gowaliwalla vs. R. K. Sanghani; A. R. V. Peermohamed vs. M. M. Shinde; R. Nariman vs. "O" Player; Ashok Khatau vs. V. R. Parekh; A. E. OWEN, bye into the fourth round.

Second Quarter

F. BEKKEVOLD, bye into the fourth round; P. M. Choksi vs. A. M. Shetty; L. T. Asalrekar vs. "A" Player; R. C. Vin vs. K. C. Mashruwalla; N. Mecklai vs. G. G. Chandiramani; Y. J. Dhruv vs. B. Harlaika; T. K. Asher vs. Satish M. Vakil; D. G. Kapadia vs. U. S. Bangera; R. G. Jariwalla vs. Dilip Sampat; K. MAHINDRA SINGH, bye into the fourth round.

Third Quarter

C. L. SAVARA, bye into the fourth round; B. C. Choksi vs. D. M. Bhatia; Fatehsinghji of Kutch vs. Swaminathan; W. N. Ghorpade vs. A. T. Mansukhani; V. V. Prabhu vs. K. B. Rai; "B" Player vs. M. Hanumantharao; Kirtikumar Seth vs. G. A. Vyas; T. R. Sanghani vs. J. M. Jhaveri; R. Habib vs. N. Kejriwala; J. M. KANTAWALLA, bye into the fourth round.

Fourth Quarter

T. BAXI, bye into the fourth round; J. V. Kamath vs. S. Aloor; Jitendra M. Vakil vs. M. F. Ghia; N. J. Belani vs. Om Prakash Grover; N. D. Shroff vs. Nandlal More; B. P. Kapadia vs. G. D. Bhagat; A. M. Abraham vs. K. V. Shevde; K. L. Mehta vs. B. Vijaysingh; G. N. Powar vs. S. N. Iyer; G. VASANT, bye into the fourth round.

FIXTURES FOR FRIDAY

Morning Session

8-00 a.m. onwards: R. C. Jariwala vs. Dilip Sampat; B. C. Choksi vs. D. M. Bhatia; N. J. Belani vs. Om Prakash Grover; K. L. Mehta vs. B. Vijaysingh.

Evening Session:

COURT No. 1: 3-30 p.m. J. K. Kothari vs. R. N. Bhagwat; P. K. Ghuvalewalla vs. R. K. Sanghani; A. R. V. Peermohamed vs. M. M. Shinde; R. Narasinham vs. J. P. Kapadia.

COURT No. 2: 3-30 p.m. P. M. Choksi vs. A. M. Shetty; R. C. Vin vs. K. C. Mashruwala; N. Mecklai vs. G. G. Chandiramani; J. K. Asher vs. Satish M. Vakil.

COURT No. 3: 3-30 p.m. D. G. Kapadia vs. U. S. Bangera; J. V. Kamath vs. S. Aloor; Jitendra M. Vakil vs. M. F. Ghia; V. V. Prabhu vs. K. B. Rai.

COURT No. 4: B. P. Kapadia vs. G. D. Bhagat; A. M. Abraham vs. K. V. Shevde; J. N. Powar vs. S. N. Iyer.

Ranji Trophy Match At Jamshedpur

JAMSHEDPUR, Feb. 2 (PTI): The members of the Uttar Pradesh cricket team, who will meet Bihar in the East Zone second round of the Ranji Trophy, arrived here today.

The match commences from February 4 at the Keenan Stadium.

P.V.M. Women's Tennis

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The P. V. M. Women's Open Tennis Tournament commenced this evening on the Bombay Gymkhana courts. This tournament, probably the only one of its kind in the country which is competed for by only women players has attracted many leading local players. Prominent among those who will be seen in action are India's number two Miss Pramila Khanna, Miss Laxmi Merchant, Miss Laura Woodbridge, Miss Joan Ingram, the former British Wightman Cup player, and Mrs. Betty Stewart, to mention only a few.

Miss Laxi Merchant, who has been seeded number three easily accounted for Miss Kundaji in this evening's match, beating her in two straight sets, the scores being 6-4 6-1 in Miss Merchant's favour.

The following were the results of the matches played this evening:—

Women's Singles

Mrs. B. W. H. Wilson beat Mrs. A. E. Walford 6-2 6-4; Mrs. Betty Stewart beat Miss Roshan Wadia 6-2 6-2; Miss Laxmi Merchant beat Miss S. Kundaji 6-4 6-1.

Women's Doubles

Mrs. F. Bekkevold and Miss Joan Ingram beat Mrs. Mani Bharucha and Mrs. Forbes 6-1 6-0.

FIXTURES FOR FRIDAY:

COURT NO. 7: At 4-30 p.m. Mrs. Bhavnani vs Mrs. P. Vinter followed by Mrs. A. Wilson and Mrs. A. Walf vs Miss Pramila Khanna and Partner; Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Hickson vs Mrs. B. Stewart and Mrs. Cuthbertson.

COURT NO. 8: At 4-30 p.m. Princess of Baroda and Mrs. Bhat vs 'B' Pair followed by Mrs. M. Bharucha vs Miss M. Ghasvala; Miss P. Billimoria vs Miss L. Woodbridge.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA WIN SWAYTHLING CUP

Beat Hungary 5-3 In Hard Fought Final

BUDAPEST, Feb. 1, (PTI-Reuter).

CZECHOSLOVAKIA beat Hungary 5-3 here tonight to win the world table tennis championship and the Swaythling Cup Czechoslovakia had to fight for their victory over the Hungarians, who were handicapped because of injury to one of their star players. Koczian.

Koczian injured a leg during an earlier game, which caused him to concede his final to Tereba.

Detailed results were (Czech names first):

Andreadis beat Koczian 21-19, 17-21, 21-15.

Vana lost to Sido 17-21, 13-21.
Tereba lost to Soos 17-21, 19-21.
Vana beat Koczian 21-9, 21-9.
Andreadis lost to Soos 18-21, 14-21.

Tereba beat Sido 27-25, 22-20
Vana beat Soos 21-14, 21-16

HYDERABAD HOLIDAYS FOR CRICKET MATCH

HYDERABAD Dn., Feb 1 (PTI)—The Hyderabad Government has declared Friday, February 10, to be a half working day and Saturday, February 11, a full holiday for all offices, colleges and schools in Hyderabad and Secunderabad on account of the Commonwealth team versus South Zone match here.

The match is scheduled to be played from February 10 to 13.

RAILWAYS AND BOMBAY DRAW A SECOND TIME

Goalkeepers Brilliant In Festival Hockey Semifinal

BOMBAY, Thursday.

One hundred and twenty minutes of play failed to bring a decision in the semi-final between the Combined Railways and a Bombay XI in the Festival Hockey Tournament, at the Cooperage this evening. This semi-final had been replayed today and the second replay has been fixed for Saturday at 5-15 p.m.

This evening's game was a goalless draw and the Railway have themselves to blame for not being able to snatch victory away in the light of the splendid scoring opportunities they had. Mervyn Bocarro was mainly reponsible for throwing away some giltedged chances when he had but the goalkeeper to beat. Kishen Lal was found to hang on to the ball too long and he spoilt many a grand move. Rozario in the Failway defence and Donnelly impressed.

For the Bombay XI Mendonca the custodian stole the honours. He was tried and tried often but he rose to the occasion gallantly and his saves were spectacular.

Bombay XI were the first to take the offensive and had Donnelly the Railway goalie not made same spectacular saves they would have gained the lead. Donnelly rushed out and intercepted a forward pass from Reg Roderigues before Abraham got to it.

The Railway then counteracted and Kishen Lal and Bocarro were concerned in a good move but they were fouled by a defender. The short corner that resulted proved dangerous. Mendonca effected two grand saves from the stick of Nabi Shah and A. Fernandes.

Both sides now raided each others goal in an attempt to break away, but the rival goalkeepers were in top form.

Crossing over with the score board blank to-days game was found to be fast and exciting, but that dangerous play usually resorted to has been cut out.

The second half saw the Railway side have more of the scoring chances but Bocarro and Fernandes failed on two occasions to do justice to some fine passes from Kishan. The match ended in a goalless draw.

The teams:— COMBINED RAILWAYS:— Donnelly; Gangaram, Nabi Shah; Mulla, Rozario, Anayyam; R. Kishan, Kishen Lal, Bocarro, A. Fernandes, Champaklal.

BOMBAY XI:— Mendonca: Carvalho, Gentle; Middlecoat, Amir Kumar, C. Fernandes; Gardner, Woodcock, I. Abraham, Reg. Rodrigues, L. Fernandes.

UMPIRES: Lelio Da Silva and Ambrose

LEWIS CUP HOCKEY

Tournament Commences February 6

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Lwies Cup Hockey Tournament which is run under the auspices of the Parel Sports Club commences on Monday February 6. All games will be played at St. Xavier's College Ground:

The following is the draw:—

TOP HALF: St. Xavier's College 'A' (Bye); Juvenile vs. Mahim Young Boys; G. B. Police 'A' vs. B.B. and C.I. Rly. 'B' (Bye); B.P.T. 'A' (Bye); Black Spiders vs. O. C. S. Recreation Club; Panchgani Parsis H. O. B. vs. G. I. P. Rly. 'A' (Bye).

BOTTOM HALF: Young Sports 'A' (Bye); Liver S. C. vs. G. B. Police 'B' Times of India 'A' vs. St. Xavier's 'B' (Bye); Indian Naval Dockyard 'A' (Bye); Khatau S. C. vs. Avery Club; B.E.S.T. vs. B.B. and C.I. Rly. 'A' (Bye).

CHANDARANA LOSES IN FIRST ROUND

World Table Tennis Championships

BUDAPEST, Feb. 2.

When the individual events in the World Table Tennis Championships opened here today an early match in the men's singles saw Midosi of Brazil beat Bhandari of India 21—7, 14—21, 21—14 14—21, 22—20.

Chandarana (India) was eliminated in the first round of the Men's Singles of the World Table Tennis Championships. He was beaten by H Vennea (England) 10-21, 19-21, 18-21.

Jayant (India) had a walkover.

Miss Rajagopalan (India) was eliminated from the first round of the women's singles, Miss Eriksson (Sweden) gaining a walkover.

Miss Sultana (India) was also eliminated in the first round, Miss Havasi (Hungary) gaining a walkover.

No Protest Lodged

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The statement, which appeared in these columns in last Wednesday's issue that the Combined Railways side had lodged a protest in connection with their match against the Bombay Eleven in the Festival Hockey Tournament, is, we are informed incorrect. No such protest has, we are further informed, been lodged with the Bombay Provincial Hockey Association.—

Naresh Kumar Leaves For Saigon

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2 (PTI)—Naresh Kumar, India's number four tennis player, left for Saigon by air last night to participate in the Indo-Chinese Lawn Tennis Championships which start today. P. Remy and R. Abdesselam of France, and J. Peten and P. Washer of Belgium, who arrived here from Madras on Tuesday, also left with the Indian player.

WILL HE TRIUMPH IN THE MARATHON?

Athletes from 17 Commonwealth countries are on their way to New Zealand to take part in the fourth British Empire Games to be held at Auckland, New Zealand, from February 4 to February 11. Jack Holden, well-known Olympic marathon runner, seen above, will be, one of Britain's representatives at the Games, and will compete in the marathon over the gruelling course of 26 miles and 375 yards.

BALAM'S IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY IN ECLIPSE STAKES WORK-OUT

First Royalty Also Shapes Well

BOMBAY, Thursday.

THE following are the pick of the trask-trials noted at Mahaluxmi:

OUTER TAN.

COURAGE (Kheem) headed KHUNDIL (Antoo) when making the last six of a longer journey in 1 minute 21 1/2 seconds.

BALAM (Kheem) moved on tight reins when worked over ten furlongs JAWAHIR (Antoo) was picked at the seven. Balam clocked 2 minutes 18 seconds. The last seven furlongs were covered in 1 minute 35 seconds. Balam is in irresistible form at the moment.

KINDERSON (Davis) covered seven furlongs in 1 minute 34 seconds.

KABIR (Duffy) disposed of TOPFLIGHT (Devaney) when covering six furlongs in 1 minute 22 1/2 seconds.

D-DAY (Snaikh) put a good show beating BEAU SCARLET (Z. Khan) when engaged over a mile. Timing 1 minute 50 1/2 seconds.

RUMBITA (Khade) impressed when sent out with MAH KHURSHID (Md. Khan) over six furlongs. He returned 1 minute 22 1/2 seconds.

KIRTI (Damodar) negotiated six furlongs in 1 minute 21 1/2 seconds.

KICKSHAW (Damodar) moved very well in hand in front of QUIP (D'Monte) when engaged over six furlongs. Timing 1 minute 23 seconds.

PESSIMIST (Hanuman) PRETTY TOWN (RB) and MAQBUL (Purtu) were placed in the order mentioned at the end of an easy trial over six furlongs. Timing 1 minute 23 seconds.

CHERRY BLOSSOM (Jai Singh) held CHANDROOS (R. Mula) when covering a mile in 1 minute 52 seconds.

HAMAC (Sethna) shaped better than MR. RAMBLER (Ghaus Khan) when covering half mile in 53 seconds. MORTON DAISY (Medhe) covered six furlongs in 1 minute 23 seconds.

TRUCK CALL (Md. Khan) travelled over six furlongs in 1 minute 22 seconds.

PICK MONEY (R.B.) was closely attended by MASKED LADY (Hanuman) when covering five furlongs in 1 minute 5 1/5 seconds. Note the latter

MY AZIZA (Davis) held comfortably NAGARPALIKA (Purtu) when covering five furlongs in 1 minute 7 1/2 seconds.

BELLE AMIE (Khade) was too good for RIVIERA when covering three furlongs in 37 seconds Belle Amie may make amends.

RACE GRASS

DRY DAY (Whiteside) and ROYAL HIGHNESS (D'Monte) covered six furlongs.

MAH-I-NAU (Md. Khan) and RASHTRAPATI (Sumer) negotiated seven furlongs in 1 minute 34 seconds. Both lay close abreast at the end.

RED CARNATION (Kheem) had the measure of BLUE ARROW (Mulla) when covering six furlongs in 1 minute 20 seconds.

PRIORATE (Duffy) beat FIRMAMENT (Rickahy) when covering ten furlongs in 2 minutes 16 seconds.

FIRST ROYALTY (Whiteside) CRYSTAL (Duffy) and DIESEL (Chavan) covered nine furlongs in 2 minutes 4 seconds. None extended.

TODAY'S SPORTS ON OUTER TAN

SHAH FREDOON (Whiteside) moved like a winner. He returned 38 seconds over three furlongs.

JAWAHIR (Davis) easily accounted for NIRVANA (Antoo). Three furlongs were cut in 36 2/5 seconds.

KANTAK (Jai Singh) covered three furlongs in 38 seconds.

BIRBAL (Antoo) shaped better than PROSPERO (Davis) and NASRULLAH (Roberts) when engaged in a noteworthy spurt over three furlongs. Timing 36 seconds.

BALAM (Kheem) outstrode KHUNDIL (Antoo). The Illuminate colt recorded 34 1/5 seconds when covering three furlongs

JUST WAIT (Khade) held NEAR IMAGE (Davis) when covering three furlongs in 36 1/2 seconds.

AAN BAAN (Kheem) had the measure of COURAGE (Antoo) when covering four furlongs in 51 1/2 seconds.

BANSHEE (Jagdesh) disposed of POLDO (Nursi) Timing for three furlongs 37 seconds.

PAVAN (Knade) moved well in hand when covering three furlongs in 38 seconds.

RUMBITA (Chavan) showed out from NATURE BOY (Md. Khan) and ROYAL HIGHNESS (Sumer) when sent on easy work over three Timing 38 seconds.

MADURI (Chavan) moved on the bit when clocking three furlongs in 38 seconds.

D DAY (Dhmd. moved mirom of LAKE SUCCESS (Shaikh) and BEAU SCARLET (J Bhosle) when worked over four furlongs from 10 to 6 Timing 51 1/2 seconds.

EIGHT ACCEPT FOR ECLIPSE STAKES

THE MALBAR HILL PLATE (Div II)—6 Furlongs.

Shookariya 8-12. Takaful 8-12. Quip 8-12, Modesty II 8-12, Madras 8-12. Mexico 8-12, Rumbita 8-12, Miss Delphi 8-12, Gay Girl 8-12, Saraswati 8-12, Contessa Neuvy 8-12, Star of America 8-12, Beeds Luck 8-12, Harlem Lights 8-12.

THE MALBAR HILL PLATE (Div I)—6 Furlongs.

Flying Banner 8-12, My Aziza 8-12, Amorette 8-12, Kensington 8-12, Masked Lady 8-12, Satyawadi 8-12, Red Carnation 8-12, Patricia 8-12.

THE KIRKEE PLATE (Div III)—1 Mile.

Cascade 9-2, Rohini 8-13, Chrissie Darling 8-13, Heroules 8-12, Kantaka 8-12, Billy Boy 8-12, Topflight 8-12, Blue Arrow 8-9, Progress 8-6, Padhuma 8-3, Dry Day 8-3, Queen of Hearts 8-2, Crepe de Chine 8-1, Pyare Saheb 7-12, Desert Queen 7-10, Gay Boy 7-10, Botticelli 7-10, Poldo 7-10, Malka-e-Alam 7-5.

THE KIRKEE PLATE (Div II)—1 Mile.

King's Star 9-4, Torrent 9-1, Lake Success 7-10, Belle Amie 8-10, Kotidinwal 8-10, Florida 8-6, Brilliant Sunshine 8-4, Shirazi 8-4, Basilian 8-3, Army and Navy 8-3, Odds Again 8-0, Kabir 7-10, Mayfair Lady 7-5, Cool and Collected 7-5.

THE GENERAL OBAIDULLAH KHAN MEMORIAL GOLD CUP—1 1/4 Miles.

Pramila 9-6, Jawahir 9-4, Courage 8-6, Maduri 8-4, Doorani 8-4, Near Image 8-3, Kirti 8-2, Ramal 8-2, Cocktop 7-12, Happy Go Lucky 7-12, Khundil 7-11, Star of Mahad 7-7, Pipy 7-6, Adeline 7-6, Chocolate Baby 7-4, Beau Scelerat 7-0.

THE BOMBAY AREA CUP—About 1 1/2 Miles.

Game Bid 9-5, Pay Master 8-13, Aan Baan 8-12, Pavan 8-9, Rukshana 8-5, Once Again 8-5, Nirvana 8-5, Tasmeroon 8-4, Prospero 8-3, Nasrullah 8-2 Masquerade 8-0, Wet Bob 7-6, Riviera 7-4, D. Day 7-3, Birbal 7-3.

THE ECLIPSE STAKES OF INDIA (1950)—1 1/4 Miles.

Diesel 9-10, Priorate 9-10, Crystal 9-7, Firmament 9-3, Kinderson 9-3, First Royalty 9-0, Pravina 9-0, Balam 8-13.

THE KIRKEE PLATE (Div I)—1 Mile.

Shah Fredoon 9-1, Carpala 9-1, The Conqueror 9-1, Kickshaw 9-1, Nature Boy 9-0, Salamat 8-12, Gipsy Bill 8-11, Chandroos 8-10, Raj Luxmi 8-6, Aafrin 8-5, Ijat 8-5, Banshee 8-4, Armina 8-3, Indian Port 8-2, Ajinkya Tara II 7-13, Whirlpool 7-13, Shah of Iran 7-12, Miss Pierrot 7-5.

THE TARDEO PLATE—7 Furlongs.

Tisco 9-2, Windsor Park 9-2, Masquerade 9-0, Par Excellence 8-12, Macdonald 8-11, Sohni 8-10, Hawana 8-9, Salta 8-6, Mah-I-Nau 8-4, Birbal 8-3, Trunk Call 8-1, Nizamuddin 8-1, Just Wait 7-13, Untamed Prince 7-8.

The Bombay Chronicle

NONE

Mr. W. Stuart Symington, the U. S. Air Force Secretary, has revealed that Communist nations now have air and submarine superiority and an army larger than the combined field forces of the West. Behind the "iron curtain", he added, there is air equipment capable of delivering a surprise attack against any part of the United States, which has no sure defence against such an attack. This statement is calculated not only to justify the recent decision regarding the Hydrogen Bomb but also to stimulate public feeling in favour of intensifying preparations all round. And coinciding, as it almost does, with the warming up of the "cold war" in South-East Asia, it is certain to achieve the desired objective. American public opinion will be roused in support of increased armament and of hastening with the manufacture of the Hydrogen Bomb as also other atomic weapons. Nor, need there be much doubt that the same thing has been happening in the Soviet Union too. The war fever has seized both of them with equal intensity and an atomic and super-atomic armaments race is on with desperate speed on both sides of what is called the "Iron Curtain."

It may be assumed that within a year the United States will have the Hydrogen Bomb and will also have considerably improved both the stock and quality of its other atomic weapons. And it may equally be assumed that the Soviet Union will have during the same period made practically similar progress with its preparations. The situation in the meantime is growing increasingly explosive. The Indo-Chinese crisis is only the beginning. And the grave nature of this beginning shows where it can lead to. If the East-West conflict continues to develop, one spark will, within a year, be enough to let loose all the destruction that is being foreshadowed. Two H. Bombs will be sufficient to "fly" New York and Moscow respectively. And there will be hundreds of other atom bombs to work all round havoc.

It is true that some military experts, like General Omar Bradly himself, are confident that so expensive a weapon will make war improbable. But the ordinary human being is impressed by one reality which cannot be ignored: In a world where the Big Powers started with long arguments on how to control the Atom Bomb, development of bigger and more destructive weapons is a sad commentary on human wisdom and is not conducive to optimism. In the light of the latest developments it is bitterly amusing to recall the early admonitions to "One World Or None" which the release of the Atom-Bomb aroused. The admonitions have only resulted in the "improvement" of the old bomb and work on the 20,000 times more horrible Hydrogen Bomb. Today, the power of destructive weapons has reached a force where the ordinary mind fails to grasp its full scope. What is more, the H-Bomb is no more the last word in destruction than the A-Bomb was before. And since Big Power responses to the acquisition of horror weapons take the form of developing more destructive weapons and intensifying political and ideological conflicts the end of it all threatens to be not "One World" but "None." The overwhelming tragedy is that every one knows where this mad rush is leading to, and yet neither of the Big Powers can or will resist it.

Gesture Of Peace

Addressing the first Parliament of the Indian Republic said President Prasad, "My Government... are anxious to reduce expenditure on defence in so far as this is possible and they propose to do so as a measure of economy as well as a gesture of peace." This follows Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru's appeal to Pakistan to settle all their differences without resorting to war. Karachi was quick to take advantage of it by adding a few more unreasonable demands to its original ones. It is a tactical error to offer peaceful settlement when a dispute is at its height. It is immediately interpreted as a sign of weakness and a desire to appease. Also it is difficult to find a meeting-ground for parties who take diagonally opposite views. While India is pursuing peace, Pakistan has left no opportunity for sabre-rattling and clouding issues by half-truths out of the 28 agreements between India and Pakistan. Karachi has already violated twelve. Confident that she will obtain justice from the United Nations, India appealed over the Kashmir issue. But to the surprise of every Indian, instead of naming the aggressor the U. N. talks of compromise. This has emboldened Pakistan to keep the differences festering with the hope of making India yield more and more concessions. In their object Pakistan has been encouraged by certain British statesmen, who cannot reconcile themselves to India assuming the leadership of Asia. A Pakistan statesman even threatened India with Soviet wrath if their demands were left unsatisfied. Perhaps Mr. Liaquat Ali's visit to Moscow has been planned to strengthen their hands in this direction. Thus there is every likelihood of India's desire for peace and her resolve to reduce her expenditure on defence being misinterpreted as a sign of weakness and appeasement. The rest of the world needs no gesture from India about her peaceful intentions. Any plans of aggression on her part are unthinkable for she will be occupied with her internal affairs for at least a decade. If there is any likelihood of a clash it can be only with her neighbour Pakistan over the settlement of border disputes and Kashmir. The issue would have been settled long ago but for the interference of foreign powers and bungling by the United Nations Commission, which has emboldened Pakistan to defy equity and justice. Both the countries can ill-afford war. They are spending at the moment more than 50 per cent. of the total budget on defence. If Pakistan sheds its hatred towards India, the differences will evaporate in no time. India's stand on Kashmir has been declared several times but somehow or other it has failed to convince the United Nations. India must once again restate facts and compel enlightened world opinion to assert itself.

Dangerous Ground

Mr. George McGhee, Assistant Secretary of State in the U. S. Government, who gave Americans the benefit of his recent travels in India, Pakistan and other South East Asian countries, trod on dangerous ground when he said that India and Pakistan must compose their differences and resolve to live together in amity. The natural question that arises is, What has America done to promote peace between India and Pakistan? We take it that the U.S.A., with other members of the United Nations, is interested in seeing the promotion of full understanding between nations and in a just and equitable peace being maintained. In spite of intentions, there has been little effort on the part of the Big Powers who determine international relations, to settle disputes and every encouragement to prolong them. On the matter of Kashmir, despite the repeated admissions of aggression by Pakistan, the United Nations Commission has gone on attempting to place both India and Pakistan on an equal footing, until the attempt has come to be a denial of justice to India. The effort still persists. After offering every incentive to Pakistan to continue, and extend, its policy of trouble-making, it ill becomes an official of a leading member of the United Nations to reproach India, at any rate, with failure to cultivate friendly relations. If Mr. McGhee felt it necessary to denounce the existence of bitter feelings between India and Pakistan, he should in common fairness have indicated on which side the responsibility lay.

Thought For The Day

We look before and after,
And pine for what is not;
Our sincerest laughter, With some pain is fraught. The sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought.

—SHELLEY.

Tete-à-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT

DURHAM (England), February 1: Relations between India and Britain were better now than ever before in history said Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Indian High Commissioner in London, in a speech here yesterday.

More English people were living in India now than before she attained independence. They were on terms of equality with India, without any artificial barriers, and many were receiving higher salaries than before.

—PTI-Reuter.

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When the Security Council takes up the Kashmir question, General Mc Naughton is expected to report failure in his interventionist efforts.

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The next step is clear. Pakistan, having by progressive stages, been promoted to the status of equality, should now be declared the victim of aggression by India.

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Commenting on the President's address, Professor K. T. Shah told Parliament he was disagreeably surprised by the President's expressions "My Government" and "My Ministers." He hoped that his advisers would note that this phraseology might suit Monarchist Britain but not Republican India.

Sh-sh-don't repeat it loudly, but, strictly in confidence, we share the Professor's feeling and hope.

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Commenting on the inauguration of the Indian Republic, Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan says: "We should, however, realise that we are a Republic more in name than in reality."

What is a Republic more in reality than in name?

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At the Mayor's farewell party to Mr. Kitson, the British Deputy High Commissioner, the latter said he hoped that the Municipal Act would be so amended as to make it obligatory on the part of Mr. Patil to serve as Mayor at least for a continuous period of four years.

But it is only fair to Mr. Kitson to point out to Mr. S. K. Patil that, as the report of the function itself emphasises, he was speaking in a lighter vein.

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President Truman has ordered work on the Hydrogen Bomb because of his responsibility "to see that our country is able to defend itself against any possible aggressor."

And after other countries, or rather another country has, in due course, worked on the H-Bomb in order to be able to defend itself against any possible aggressor..... yes, you are right even though your language is rather strong.

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The "New York World Telegram" says today there could be little doubt the Chinese Communist forces and the Viet Minh insurrectionists had joined hands to drive the French out of Indo-China—"the last major foothold of European colonialism left on the Asiatic mainland."

We welcome the admission.

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TRIBUTE TO ASIAN WOMAN

"Outlook Very Intelligent."

—Headlines.

Very WHAT?

MAHATMA GANDHI, NEHRU AND MAO TSE-TUNG

By Our Correspondent

LONDON, (By Air)

JANUARY 30 was the second anniversary of the death of Mahatma Gandhi. Neither India House nor India League observed the occasion. In fact, very few Indians even remembered that man the Father of the Nation, to whose efforts we largely owe our liberation passed away on this day. The only person to remember the day was the Editor of the Manchester Guardian who devoted his first article to the memory of that Immortal Man.

"History", the Manchester Guardian says, "is full of examples of the rapid abandonment of a saint's ideals by his disciples, even while they cover their actions with his name. In his lifetime Gandhi was often compared with St. Francis's, and the swift changes among the Franciscans after St. Francis' death might have shown what was coming to India".

But it was never expected that even the second anniversary would go unremembered by Indians in London who rarely miss an opportunity to celebrate.

IS GANDHIJI FORGOTTEN?

West with its warlike history cannot condemn Indian leaders for deviating from Gandhian ideals. But it is disappointed in its expectation of India showing the world that Gandhism is a doctrine from which one could learn in practical affairs. India might have been forced by circumstances to resort to the use of force. But it is felt there could be no excuse for Indian leaders for ignoring Gandhiji's injunctions about humility and austerity. Gandhiji was the friend of the peasants. The Indian Government, says the 'Manchester Guardian', is spending more than half its revenue on its army while the peasant is crying for aid. While the masses are suffering pangs of hunger a large number of officials move from country to country, living in luxurious hotels at the cost of the tax payer. Only during the last few weeks Information officers from different parts of the world have been rushing to Delhi by magic carpet to receive the stamp of the approval of their appointment from the Federal Commission.

COMMUNIST MENACE

Pandit Nehru is not unaware of the abysmal poverty of his fellow countrymen. But so far it seems he has not succeeded in filling the half empty plates of masses. Unless these plates are filled, as Norman Cliff of the News Chronicle says, the masses may give ear to those who counsel desperate course. It is believed that with plans clarified as the result of Sino-Russian colloquies in Moscow the Chinese communists will proclaim to the youth of Asia a dogma and way of advance which will catch their imagination. For a time, in the opinion of the 'Manchester Guardian', Mao Tse-tung may replace Gandhi and Nehru as the most talked about personality in Asia.

It would be hard to imagine any philosophies more absolutely contrary than those of Gandhi and Mao. "Gandhi deplored industrialisation; the Communists promise it. Gandhi wanted a local autonomy carried to the extreme pitch of village autonomy; the Chinese Communists stand for "democratic" centralism. Gandhi verged on being an anarchist; the Communists are dictators. Gandhi's interpretation of history was spiritual; Mao Tse-tung is an orthodox material. The only thing that links Gandhi and the Communists is asceticism. But asceticism does not necessarily engender gentleness, mercy, truthfulness and other virtues which Gandhi valued". Gandhism might be anti-thesis of Communism but hungry people have no time to weigh the niceties of different ideologies. They would join those who would relieve their poverty.

DANGERS AHEAD

In spite of what has or has not happened in India foreign observers neither believe that Gandhism is dead nor that the situation has got out of Nehru's control. It is not denied that Indian leaders have done a fine job in spite of tremendous difficulties. But there are dangers ahead, which, if unsurmounted, might open the flood gates of strife.

The dangers to which foreign observers draw prominent attention are:

1. **Economic malaise.**
2. **Conflict with Pakistan.**
3. **Problem of refugees.**
4. **Outbreak of violence in Bengal.**
5. **Demoralisation of Congress movement.**
6. **Provincial jealousies.**
7. **Widespread corruption.**

Not all these difficulties, says Margaret Parton, "are the fault of the Indian leaders, who face possibly the most complex conditions on the face of the earth". The leaders have 170 irrigation schemes, but not enough concrete, not enough steel, not enough dollars, and not enough technicians to build them. If economic problems are grave, the political situation is equally so. The country is confronted on one side by reactionary Hindu Mahasabha and on the other by Communists willing to create chaos with a view to achieving their objective. Even those who do not belong to these extreme groups indulge in destructive criticism of the Government, making the confusion worst confounded. The Congress itself is torn by conflict. The people have yet to shake off the old habits and manners which develop under foreign rule, invisible legacy of slavery.

CHANGE OF LOYALTIES

According to Mr. Percival Spear even among the Westernised classes there are large number who are more concerned for their livelihood than for the finer points of political principle. "Being loyal to one's salt", he says in the course of an article in the "Manchester Guardian" is ingrained in Indian tradition, but it also implies a readiness to change allegiance when the control of it changes hands. The comparative ease with which men like Shah Jehan and Aurangzeb consolidated their power after once giving evidence of being likely winners must sober calculations based too closely on statistics of votes or number of Assembly seats." He recognises India has kept her army non-political, but does not rule out possibility of a military coup d'etat in somewhat more remote future.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Mammon Or Masses?

Mr.G. R. Saraiya, incoming president of the IIndian Merchants Chamber, has warned the city merchants that they deserved to be extinct if they ceased to serve the masses. It is good that a captain of industry has seen the writing on the wall. The opportunity for aggrandisement has been so great in the conditions of scarcity that have been obtaining in the country, that very few resisted the temptation. In many cases, the willingness of the buyers to pay and their awareness that they too were parties to a bargain that was not legal, helped merchants with an elastic conscience. But those conditions have now changed. The scarcity of goods continues, but scarcity of money is also evident. And so people grumble before they pay exorbitant prices and those who are enterprising utilise the anti-corruption machinery to trap people who seek to-extort money from them. And instances have not been wanting of people going to the extreme of taking the law into their hands. An artificially introduced scarcity of salt saw the looting of some shops in Bombay. Fortunately, the contagion did not spread and the strong arm of law was able to deal firmly with the law-breakers. But a police force, however strong, cannot forever stem the wrath of the multitude especially when it is directed against a palpable wrong-doer. Merchants, therefore, must now realise that the days of quick profits are gone and from now on a satisfied customer is their only asset.

Mao, Bao And Ho

The recognition by the Soviet Government of the Indo-China autonomous movement led by Dr. Ho Chin-Minh has presented the crisis-ridden Western World with another problem. One more wedge has been driven into the rift between the East and the West. A complicating feature is the existence of a Franco-Soviet Treaty of Friendship which stipulates that neither country will ally itself with the other's enemy. Soviet politicians, no doubt, will be able to square a circle and demonstrate the feasibility of being friendly with France as well as its sworn enemy, Dr. Ho Chi Minh. But France's worry at the moment is not the breach of treaty, whose utility at the best of times was open to question. Soviet recognition, which is said to have followed the insistence of China's Communist leader Mao Tse-tung, will greatly strengthen Ho's movement and the clandestine trade in arms which has been going on between Red China and Red Indo-China will become legal and open. And this will only be the beginning of the reactions that have been let loose.

Perverse

Of all the crazy ideas that have ever been expressed, the Madras suggestion to collect Municipal revenues by levying a tax on dowries is about the most crackbrained. So much has been said about the evil of using tainted money that it is inconceivable to think of a responsible public body building up its funds with a levy on one of the most iniquitous institutions. The fight against the dowry menace has been a long and consistent one waged by Hindu social reformers. It is an evil practice that has brought many homes to ruin and has no justification whatsoever. To levy a tax on it is tantamount to setting the seal of approval on the sordid transaction and making the Municipality a partner in the michief. It will be a sad state of things if the Government is induced to give up its Anti-Dowry Law in order that the Municipal coffers might be full. The Local Finances Enquiry Committee will, we trust, have the sense to turn down this fatuous suggestion, which in the existing conditions is also an illegal one.

Revitalising The Congress

The report that the Congress Working Committee will be shortly considering how to revitalise the Congress organisation, will be generally welcomed, apart from the stated elections. The Coning the general elections. The Congress as a party suffers from both an excess of tall poppies and a shortage of them. This has been the cause of innumerable squabbles which have broken up unity and given rise to considerable confusion. The Congress President has tried to bring about some measure of coordination between Congress Ministry and Congress Party in the Provinces, now States, but the results do not seem very encouraging. In the United Provinces, the quarrels have broken all bounds and it is difficult to distinguish between internal squabbles and the fights that generally arise between rival parties. In fact, there is considerably more bitterness in the within-party strife. It is very necessary that the whole question should be settled in such a manner that the Congress can resume its public activities once again. The coming meeting of the Working Committee ought to put aside all other questions and concentrate on unravelling this tangled skein alone. It is well worth the effort.

To Whose Credit?

Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan, the Socialist Leader, has been most ungracious in suggesting that the integration of Indian States was due not to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel but to the "determination of the States peoples". This, if we might be pardoned the expression, is balderdash. Anyone who has the least knowledge of condition in the States, knows that there was very little political consciousness in the people who were, with rare exceptions, generally kept down and deprived of all political rights. The integration of the States, as the Delhi Correspondent of the "Economist" lately pointed out, is a development that could not have been anticipated six months ago. Mr. Jayaprakash has considerable knowledge of Hyderabad where he has been visiting not very long ago. Does he think that there was any determination on the part of the people there? We know that the party system demands obstinate refusal to see good in the other party. But the Socialist Leader ought to have the practical wisdom to see that he is only harming himself by indulging in these childish tactics. His public would be more disposed to believe his professions of Socialist intention and ability to liquidate poverty if he was more able to see things in perspective. Besides, his denial of credit to Sardar Patel is absolutely pointless because the States are not going to be reintegrated again when Mr. Jayaprakash comes to power, nor are they waiting for his coming for disintegration.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

The Hindu Mahasabha

The Hindu Mahasabhaite's Socialist programme which they adopted at the Calcutta session appears to be embodied chiefly in their high pitched garrulousness over the reunion of India and Pakistan! They seem to little discern that the reunion, is as much as it means territorial extension of the present India, would, instead of rendering solution to any of the already dilemmatic social and economic problems that stare her in the face, only add to their gravity and impede the growth of Socialism to which they have thought of giving their lip-service, albeit much belated! How very earnestly a socialist-minded Hindu wishes, wiser counsels were to prevail amongst the Hindu Sabhaites, crying halt to their policy of attaching undue importance to problems which can claim no greater urgency than a myriad of them within the borders of the Indian Union itself!

—A NON-PARTY HINDU.

Jains And Hindus

My attention has been drawn to a certain memorial by all India Jains to Rt. Hon'ble Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India, submitted by Pt. Tansukhlal Kala and Shri S. C. S. Patil on the 5th January, 1950. The memorial raises certain vital issues which concern the entire Jain community and has an important bearing on the present and future social economic and political life of the Jains of India. The community as a whole cannot take cognisance of the memorial unless it has been given a due consideration. For this purpose it is proposed to hold very shortly a convention of Jains of India to ascertain their views in the matter and to submit the decisions taken thereat to the Government.

In the modern civilised world of today distinction of castes and creeds should be adhered to the minimum. Jainism is a Universal Religion and can be followed and practised by everyone who has faith in its principles and teachings. It does not teach hatred towards any human being belongings to any sect. Jains are not against Harijans. Anyone having any implicit faith in the basic principles of Jainism and striving to follow the Jains teachings in practical life has an entry to all places of Jains worship. The term Hindu is a racial expression whereas Jain is a philosophical one. Jains are not politically, socially and economically apart from Hindu but they have their separate culture.

Mahasabha Moonshine

Apparently the Mahasabha leaders have a tongue too big for their mouth. Speaking at a function of the Sind Panchayat Federation on 28th instant, Mr. V. D. Savarkar and Mr. N. B. Khare President Akhil Bharatiya Mahasabha have reiterated that "the division of Bharat will be unsettled" and Hindu refugees from Pakistan would march back triumphantly. This can only be described as soap-box oratory or playing on the feelings of dispossessed and disgruntled refugees. Instead of crying for the moon in such fatuous utterances what can the Mahasabha do to "unsettle" what has already occurred in our history?

Indulging in daydreams of "Akhand Bharat" and all that tall talk, as our Prime Minister has told us with all his emphasis, is frothy nonsense. It can't be gainsaid that willynilly we have accepted partition for what it is worth. Whether partition solves the problem of any country is another matter. Now that we are building up our nation those who are not with us are daily demonstrating their vehement and obstreperous opposition on every front. That only shows the twain stand as poles apart. The enlightened public know and cannot be humbugged by the Mahasabha's mouthings and moonshine.

—MULCHAND DEOMAL.

Surat.

Self-Evident

In reply to Mr. Mulchand Deomal's letter in your issue of the 31st partly reproching us for not having replied to his previous letters, we merely wish to say that we neither have the time nor the inclination to answer absolutely unnnecessary questions through the columns of a local paper again. The questions will be automatically answered by himself, if he takes some pains to read the literature on the subject—either Theosophical literature or his own Scriptures (assuming he is a Hindu) such as the Ramayana of the Mahabharata, and the histories of Narada and Yajnavalkya mentioned in the various Puranas. After all, the columns of "Our Reader's Views", are not meant for a few readers to carry on a discussion.

Once the Mahatma K. H. (called Devapi in the Puranas) wrote: "I shall neither order, nor mesmerise, nor sway you. But unseen and when you have perhaps come—like so many others—to disbelieve in my existence, I shall watch your career and sympathise in your struggles", and we like Him, have no liking for argumentation nor the intention to be a form of "Question and Answer Bureau", as regards personal beliefs. If the aforesaid reader has certain beliefs or doubts, we see no reason for making him believe something else.

—D. J. BURKEY.
—T. B. SHERWOOD.

B. E. S. T. "Transfer Ticket" System

The Bombay Municipal Corporation discussed a few days ago, the question of abolition of the 'transfer ticket' system on the tramway service. It was my impression that this proposition emanating from the General Manager of the Transport Committee was finally abandoned as ill-advised, as its implementation would cause unnecessary burden to the public travelling on different routes for the same single journey to reach a particular destination.

One main reason put forward by the protagonists of abolition of this system was that time of the Conductors is unnecessarily wasted in punching more holes in this type of tickets. One is at a loss to understand such paralogical arguments, for, one of the duties of the conductors is to bore holes in the tickets indicating stations and its cancellation after the completion of journeys. Moreover, the conductors are not so busy as to find it inconvenient to punch a few more holes in the 'transfer tickets'. The conductors are also very efficient in as much as they can punch tickets almost blindfold. And everyone of them knows by heart the forty numerical allocations to the equal number of halts and the various "transfer points" permissible under B.E.S.T. rules.

I take it that it is the experience of many as of myself to have been obliged to change trams twice over to reach, say, a station like Dadar while journeying from the southern tip of the city, not because the route was to be covered by what may be called "transhipment" but because frequently the trams are scheduled to run shorter distances than the routes touching the terminal stations. In such circumstances the poor passengers will have to pay extra few annas everyday in the absence of the existing 'transfer ticket' system.

With the strict enforcement of the 'no excess passenger' the ticketless travellers are also now reduced to a negligible figure and the slow locomotion of the trams ensures that every passengers buys a ticket, although the snail's pace speed causes tremendous annoyance to the travelling public and loss of time.

People expected that with the purchase of the B.E.S.T. undertaking the tramways and bus transports would be improved by the Municipality and they are already feeling disillusioned. If, instead of improving the conditions and providing better facilities to the travelling public, the Municipal Corporation accepts the General Manager's proposal to abolish the 'transfer ticket' system and enforces this retrograde step, the Congress Party will be playing into hands of their ill-wishers. If the B.E.S.T. is bent on withdrawing the facility let them ensure to the public, a system of service which will entail no extra expenditure and no need of "transhipment" to reach any destination from anywhere.

Those who introduced the 'transfer ticket' system were wise men and they did so after careful planning and mature consideration. Let us not undo their work.

—K. S. MAVINKURVE

OPEN AIR

Some of Bandra's Badam trees, (Terminalia catappa) are a glorious sight now, for their huge leathery leaves have turned deep red, preparatory to falling off and leaving the tree bare for its new crop of young foliage. This is one of the few trees here whose leaves become so vivid in colouring before the leaf-fall. It is, too, one of the toughest of our trees for it quickly recovers and regains its graceful outline however badly it may suffer in storm or wind. A near relative of the Badam is the Terminalia tomentosa, a favourite roadside tree as well as a common tree in the jungle. The fruit of this tree is a drupe with five broad wings, which are yellowish-green when young, turning dark brown and hard when ripe. These winged fruits are carried a great distance from the tree by the wind. Another tree which bears winged fruits is the Erinocarpus nimmonii, but in this case the fruit has only three wings, and the part of the fruit covering the oblong seed is covered with tough spines. The spines immediately distinguish the fruits from those of the terminalias which are all smooth in texture.

ERINOCARPUS

—B. R.

Deshmukh Award Is Of Interim Nature

NEW DELHI, February 2, (PTI).

MR. CHINTAMAN DESHMUKH, whose award in regard to the allocation of the provincial share of incometax was recently announced, is understood to have told the Finance Ministry that re-allocation 'de novo' of the entire fifty percent of the provincial share of incometax might lead to extensive alterations in the share of the provinces and cause serious riscal embarrassment to some provinces.

Any adjustments to mitigate those embarrassments were not possible without involving the share of the Centre within the period for which any award that might be given was expected to remain effective.

Mr. Deshmukh is understood to have regarded the problem from two aspects:

(1) To determine the shares to be taken away from Bengal, the Punjab and Assam in respect of parts of those Provinces now included in Pakistan and (b) to reallocate among the Indian Union provinces.

The Government of India's post-partition basis of allocation would seem to be compatible with (A) computing the lapsed quota by assuming that the shares to be taken out of Bengal and the Punjab were ten and four, which together with two for Sind and one for N.W.F.P. would make up a total of seventeen and (B) allocating the lapsed quota according to population, allowing for rounding off and minor adjustments in favour of the smaller provinces.

Of the three provinces that expressed dissatisfaction specifically with the interim distribution made by the Government of India, East Punjab drew attention to what they regarded as the basic injustice to the Punjab of the Niemeyer Award which, according to them, was aggravated by the revised allocation, which gave five per cent to the province. They also contended that their special difficulties consequent on partition had been ignored. On these ground they claimed a share of eight per cent. West Bengal claimed, on the basis of residence, twenty per cent. Bombay found fault with the departure from the ratios among the provinces fixed by Niemeyer for which they saw no justification in an interim arrangement and contended that they should have got twenty three per cent.

MEMORANDA

Referring to the memoranda submitted by the Provinces and his personal discussion with representatives of the Provinces, Mr. Deshmukh in a note to the Finance Ministry says:

"There is a great deal of show of reason in these memoranda, but one may be justified in assuming that the method of distribution advocated by each province is the one that is likely, if adopted, to yield results most favourable to it. The arguments range from a theoretical vindication of collection (or residence) as the basis of distribution to the justification on practical and historical grounds of the choice of population and fiscal and administrative needs as the basis, while in a few cases special disabilities such as those arising from partition or long-standing economic backwardness have been urged."

"Coming to the next part of the problem, that of distributing this lapsed quota among the Indian Union provinces, the considerations I have borne in mind are: (A) We are dealing with residual percentages which are in the nature of a windfall, (B) This is an interim arrangement likely to be effective for only about two years, (C) Collections of income-tax have moved considerably in favour of Bombay in recent years while the population rations have altered as a result of the Partition, and any award that in effect gives additional weightage to residence would hinder progress towards a general equalisation of the levels of administration which in the prevailing circumstances is a desirable end.

Contribute To Kasturba Fund

SARDAR'S PLEA

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (UPI): Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Chairman of the Kasturba-Gandhi National Memorial Fund, has issued an appeal to all his countrymen-rich and poor,—to contribute their mite towards the Fund to enable it to meet the vast, important and extensive work of the uplift of rural womanhood in India.

The total Fund of the Trust when it started functioning under the directions of Mahatma Gandhi in 1944 stood at Rupees one crore and 25 lakhs. Sardar Patel says that this amount may appear to be huge, but it is practically a drop in the ocean, considering the potentialities of expansion of the work and needs of the country.

CHIANG'S MEN QUIT LONDON EMBASSY

Keys With Foreign Office

LONDON, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter): Staff of the former Chinese Nationalist Diplomatic Mission in London today quitted the Chinese Embassy.

They handed the keys and an inventory to the British Foreign Office, it was learned from an authoritative source.

The Foreign Office, it was understood, has agreed to take charge of the buildings and assets pending the arrival of a mission from the Chinese Peoples Government recognised by Britain on January 6.

Today the telephone and other public utilities were cut off from the Embassy and police were posted to keep watch.

The former Chinese Ambassador in London, Dr. Cheng Tien-hsi, left the Embassy about a fortnight ago and has been staying at his London Club until he finds permanent accommodation.

TALKS IN SOUTH AFRICA

Representative Indians Arrive In Capital

CAPETOWN, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter): Representative Indians from every part of Natal and Northern Cape Province have arrived in Cape Town where the preliminary talks between the South African, Indian and Pakistan Governments on the problem of Indians in the Union open on Monday.

The arrivals include officials and members of the Natal Executive of the South African Indian Organisation.

In a statement issued on his arrival today, Mr. S. R. Naidoo, President of the South African Indian Organisation, said the organisation, which represents influential Indian opinion, has since its formation felt that the proper approach to solution of the Indian problem in the Union should be discussions and negotiations which alone could bring about an honourable settlement satisfactory to all.

The President of the Transvaal Indian Organisation and Transvaal members of the Executive will join the delegation later.

Normal Services

The traffic situation on the affected routes was normal in the afternoon according to an official of the BEST who said that the men who had struck resumed work in the afternoon and that all the buses on the routes were out.

DESHMUKH AWARD DISAPPOINTING

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (PTI): Mr. Kuladhar Chaliha, member of Parliament from Assam, described in a statement here today, the Deshmukh Award as "highly disappointing". It would, he said, perpetuate the "same injustice as the Meston and Otto Niemeyer awards in the backward provinces of Assam and Orissa."

Assam which produced the largest quantity of tea, Mr. Chaliha said, was not given a due share of the excise and export tea duties which brought "large sums to the Central Exchequer." Assam had been universally recognised as a deficit province and was justly entitled to the share of the tea duties which come entirely from the Province."

PARIS, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): The 18-nation Governing Council of OEEC (Organisation for European Economic Co-operation) today agreed on a 66 per cent relaxation of import quotas in member countries by July 1, according to delegation sources here.

Stop Press

U. N. CAN DO IT

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 2: It is up to the United Nations to make use of the Hydrogen Bomb impossible, General Romulo (Philipines), President of the General Assembly, said here today. He said that the United States' decision to develop the Hydrogen Bomb was an exceptionally dramatic illustration of the need for effective control of atomic energy.

PEACE BOMB

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2: Russia should be challenged to permit a meeting of the United Nations in Moscow to discuss atomic peace, Senator McMahon, Chairman of the Congressional Atomic Energy Committee, declared in the Senate today. "We possess no monopoly with the Hydrogen Bomb," he warned. "It is only a matter of time — and possibly a short time — before the Kremlin also achieves success."

The Senator proposed that in a "new bold step" the United States should cut her 15,000 million dollar annual armament expenditure by two-thirds and spend the surplus to foster peace in the world for a five-year period.

TALKS COLLAPSE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2: Negotiations for a settlement of the American coal dispute over new work contracts collapsed today.

RUSSIAN BOYCOTT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2: Russia today carried out its threatened boycott of the 11-nation Far Eastern Commission by failing to send a representative to the weekly meeting.

U. S. ENVOY PRESENTS BOOKS

Mr. Loy W. Henderson, American Ambassador to India presented, as a gift of the U. S. Government, nearly 500 reference books to the Delhi University School of Economics on February 1. The 2,000-dollar worth of books were accepted by the Director of the School Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao Photo shows: (left to right): Dr. Rao, Sir Maurice Gwyer, Vice-Chancellor, Delhi University and the American Ambassador.

U. S. Gift To India

500 BOOKS FOR DELHI UNIVERSITY

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (PTI): The United States Government today made a gift of 500 books worth Rs. 10,000 to the University of Delhi as a part of their programme to promote "international understanding and amity".

The books which deal with different aspects of the science of economics as developed and practised in America were presented at a formal ceremony by the United States Ambassador in India Mr. Loy W. Henderson.

Sir Maurice Gwyer, Vice-Chancellor of the University presided.

Mr. Henderson in a brief speech wished the University "continued success" in its efforts to prepare the youth of India for "the heavy responsibilities which the future holds for them".

Expressing the hope that the books would help obtain a greater knowledge of Amercan ideas and experiences in the field of economics. Mr. Henderson said that Indian friends by using these books might "keep on the highway of economic progress and circumvent some of the pitfalls and the quagmires which we have encountered".

Sir Maurice Gwyer thanked the American Government for the "generous gift" and said that the books were the best Ambassadors between one country and another. He hoped that more books on technical subjects and social sciences would follow this gift and further enrich the libraries of the University.

Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao, Director of the Delhi School of Economics of the University accepting the gift said the new collection of books would mark the beginning of "a long and continued intellectual co-operation between the peoples of India and the USA".

BRITISH COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS

Dr. Tara Chand To Perform Opening Ceremony

The formal opening of the British Council premises at Agra—the headquarters of the organisation in India—will be performed on February 3 by Dr Tara Chand, Secretary to the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

The opening ceremony will be preceded by a welcome address by Dr. L. R. Phillips, British Council Representative in India, and an introductory speech by Lt. Gen. Sir Archibald Nye, United Kingdom High Commissioner in India.

A voluntary association, the British Council was granted a Charter of Incorporation in 1940, and exists to promote a wider knowledge of Britain abroad and to develope closer cultural relations between Britain and other countries.

In India, the British Council will try to bring about these ends by the opening of libraries, the bringing of exhibitions, lectures, and theatrical companies from the U. K., by the showing of films which reflect the educational, cultural and technical aspects of British Life and Thought and by the provision of information on educational and cultural matters. It hopes later to offer scholarships which will enable selected candidates to carry on post-graduate studies at British universities.

Ruler Of Jodhpur Leaves For India

LONDON, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): The Maharaja of Jodhpur was leaving Tilbury tonight for India in the liner 'Strathmore'. The Maharajah recently appeared before a "magic circle" of nearly 600 to qualify for admission to the "inner magic circle" consisting of Britain's finest conjurers and illusionists. The result of his application will be known next week.

AMBALA, February 1 (PTI): Mr. Shamsher Singh, President of the Ambala District Socialist Party was arrested here tonight under section three of the East Punjab Public Safety Act for alleged prejudicial activities. The arrest was made after Mr. Singh addressed a public meeting.

WE ARE DEAD TO SANSKRIT

The Language Is Not

DIBRUGARH, Feb. 2 (U.P.I.): The Sixteenth Anniversary of the Assam Sanskrit Association was held here on January 29 and 30 at the premises of the Dibrugarh College, Dr. Ashutosh Castri of the Calcutta University presiding. Besides prominent local citizens, distinguished visitors from all over Assam including the Director of Public Instruction for Sanskrit Education, the Principal of the Dibrugarh College, attended.

The president, Dr. Ashutosh Sastri, delivering his address in Sanskrit, said that Sanskrit was the mother of all Aryan languages of the world and it could be said to be the oldest language of the world. He added that during the British regime Sanskrit was neglected by the Authorities as not being of any importance to the administrative necessities of the country.

But, today, he said, when India was free, it was the duty of the people of the country to adopt every means to rejuvenate the Sanskrit language which could be adopted as State language. He referred to the teachings of Sanskrit in many foreign universities particularly in the Kabul University where Sanskrit was a compulsory subject.

He concluded by saying that Sanskrit was not a dead language but "we are dead to it."

DRAFT STANDARD FOR SODA ASH

Comments Invited

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2.

Two draft Indian standards for soda ash and caustic soda (commercial) have been prepared by the Heavy Chemicals (Inorganic) Sectional Committee of the Indian Standards Institution.

The draft Indian standard for soda ash, classifies the material into dense and light grades and prescribes the total alkalinity calculated as sodium carbonate, and fixes the limits for water-insolubles, sulphates, chlorides and iron. Provision is made for adjustment of delivery weight, to compensate for volatile matter if present in excess of the limit stipulated in the standard.

The draft Indian standard for caustic soda (commercial) prescribes the requirements for the material delivered as a solid or in the form of caustic liquor. Limits have been prescribed for sodium hydroxide content and sodium carbonate content. The maximum quantities of matter insoluble in water, and chlorides and sulphates permitted in the material, have also been fixed.

Both the drafts contain appendices in which the procedures for sampling and for testing the materials for conformity to the requirements are given.

These drafts have been circulated to members of the Institution interested in this field and to large consumers, manufacturers and technologists concerned. Comments on these draft standards will be received by the Director, Indian Standards Institution, Block 11, Old Secretariat, Delhi 2, upto May 1, 1950.

MORE AREA SOWN, YIELD LESSER

Crop Estimate In Madras

MADRAS, Feb. 2 (UPI)—An increase of 3.6 per cent in the area sown with paddy, in the province for the year ending November 25, 1949, over the previous year has been reported according to official estimates.

The area sown paddy upto November 25, 1949, was estimated at 9,280,000 acres.

The total yield is estimated at 3,768,000 tons of cleaned rice, against the corresponding estimate of 4,150,000 tons for the prevous year representing a decrease of 10.7 per cent.

NO STATE OWNERSHIP OF INDUSTRIES

Assam Gives Up Former Policy

SHILLONG, Feb. 1 (PTI): The policy of state ownership of industries, announced by the Government of Assam enunciating their industrial policy in August, 1946, has been abandoned.

A Press communique issued today said "In pursuance of the Government policy in 1946, schemes for the establishment of a paper mill, Cotton Textile Mill and a sugar factory were initiated by this Government but owing to financial difficulties they have been compelled to abandon the policy of State ownership of industries.

INDIAN MINISTER WITH S C A P

Mr. Chettur Appointed

NEW DELHI, Febru, 1, (PTI): Mr. K. K. Chettur, at present Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, has been appointed Head of the Indian Liaison Mission in Tokyo and Political Representative of India with S C A P with the personal rank of Minister, says a communique issued by the External Affairs, Government of India.

ALLIED COUNCIL FOR JAPAN

Russia Boycotts Meeting

TOKYO, Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter). Russia today boycotted a meeting of the Allied Council for Japan, which was to have discussed repatriation of Japanese prisoners of war from the Soviet Union.

The Russians had walked out of three previous meetings when members raised the question of about 270,000 Japanese, said to be still held in Russia and Siberia.

Lieut.-General Kuzma Derevyanko, Chief Soviet Delegate, wrote to Mr. William Sebald (United States), Chairman of the Council, saying he would not attend any meeting at which this subject was down for hearing.

PRAYAG MAHILA VIDYAPITHA

Degrees Recognised By Bihar Government

The Government of Bihar has recognised the Vidyavinodini Examination as equivalent to Matriculation, the Viushi Examination as equivalent to Intermediate Examination and Saraswati Examination as equivalent to B.A. for purposes of appointment to Government services.

Enquiry Into Electric Supply Break-Down

SIMLA, Feb. 1, (PTI): The Punjab Government has instituted an inquiry into the serious interruption of hydro-electric suply near Beas on Republic Day, it is learnt.

Over 20 towns in the Punjab were plunged into complete darkness for about nine hours as a result of the breakdown.

HEAVY SNOW FALL IN DEHRADUN

DEHRADUN, Feb. 1, (PTI): Dehradun is in the grip of a severe cold wave since Jan. 30 there has been heavy rain and snowfall in the hills. More than two feet snowfall is reported to have occurred on Chakrata, Deoband and surrounding hills.

DACCA, Feb. 2, (UPI): It is learnt that 14 doctors have recently been selected from East Bengal for higher training abroad under the auspices of the World Health Organisation. Four of them will specialise themselves in the treatment of tuberculosis and two in V D treatment. They are expected to start shortly.

S. E. ASIA HEALTH PROBLEM

W. H. O. Executive Review

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1: At a meeting held late last week the Fifth Session of the WHO Executive Board in Geneva reviewed the work of the Regional Organisations of WHO, and warmly praised the rapid progress which had been made in the development of health activities in South-East Asia and the Eastern Mediterranean.

The tremendous health problems of the 400 millions population of the S.E. Asia area were outlined in a report on the work of the S.E. Asia Regional Committee which was introduced by Dr. C. Mani, Regional Director. "Shocking poverty" and high death rates among all groups, especially infants and mothers were singled out by the report.

Malaria, responsible for 100 million cases and 1 million deaths yearly, was closely followed in importance, according to the report, by tuberculosis and pestilential diseases, while leprosy and filariasis were also grave problems.

SHORT SUPPLIES

It was stated that public health administrations in the region were undeveloped. They were often manned by competent staff, but few in numbers and hampered by lack of medical supplies and equipment.

The aim of WHO, in the region, it was stated, was first to build up national health administrations by organising training facilities and disease control projects, and by providing fellowships. A programme on these lines was already underway in the S. E. Asia region.

Dr. Brock Chisholm, WHO Director General, commented upon the remarkable degree of collaboration achieved in all regions, and added that all developments pointed to a decentralisation policy as being the "healthiest way" for WHO.

U. S. Newspaper Magnate To Visit India

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Best known of American newspaper proprietors Col. Robert R. McCormick, is to arrive in India on a brief visit on March 6.

Col. McCormick is the proprietor of the 103-year-old "Chicago Tribune", the 2-1/2 million circulation "New York Daily News" and the "Times Herald" of Washington. He is touring India in his own aeroplane, a converted B-17 bomber.

Col. McCormick is the third generation of the 'Chicago Tribune' dynasty. It was founded by his great grandfather.

Col. McCormick who is accompanied by his wife and daughter is inspecting his news gathering arrangements and correspondents organisation in sixteen countries in the Mediterranean, Middle East and India. He is also anxious to get a first hand knowledge of conditions in these countries. He will be accompanied by Mr. Percy Wood, his chief correspondent in the area.

Berlin-Bound Lorries Delayed

BERLIN, Feb 1. (PTI-Reuter): East German police at the Soviet zone border checkpoint near Helmstedt were again delaying Berlin-bound lorries today, but rail traffic between Berlin and the West was reported normal. Supply lorries were arriving here at the rate of about seven an hour. Drivers reported that a queue of about eighty vehicles had formed at Helmstedt, where the Soviet Zone police were checking documents and loads meticulously.

'MORTAL ENEMY OF NATIVE FREEDOM'

Acheson Condemns Ho Chi-Minh

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter): United States Secretary of State Dean Acheson today condemned the Soviet recognition of Ho Chi-Minh's Communist regime in Indo-China and described Ho Chi-Minh as "the mortal enemy of native independence in Indo-China"

PARIS: The Soviet Embassy here today rejected the French protest against Russian recognition of the Ho Chi-Minh "Government" in Indo-China.

The Soviet Embassy returned to the French Foreign Office the note of protest sent yesteday saying it could not "receive such a note"

U. S. AID TO CHIANG

Senate Committee Vote

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. (PTI-Reuter): The Senate Foreign Relation Committee has approved a bill extending the termination date of economic aid to the "central area of China" from February 15 to June 30 this year. Senator Tom Conally Chairman of the Committee made the announcement after a closed committee meeting.

The bill will enable the administration to give continued aid to Formosa, the Chinese Nationalist stronghold.

"OWN YOUR PHONE FOR NAGPUR

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1, (PTI): The Government of India has decided to extend the "Own Your Phone" scheme to Nagpur the Director-General, Posts and Telegraphs announced today.

As the message rate system has not yet been introduced in Nagpur, subscribers under this scheme will pay a rental of Rs 14 per month against Rs. 24 under the old terms. Deposits will be received from Feoruary 3, 1950.

Prefab Scheme Not Economical

KAMESAM DEMANDS AN ENQUIRY

BANGALORE, Feb. 1, (PTI): A detailed enquiry into the Government of India's prefabricated housing scheme is urged by Dr. Kamesam, President of the Institute of Engineers in India and author of the Government of India's "Wood for Steel" Scheme.

He also stated that Mr. H. V. Kamath's recent statement on the prefabrication plan should be taken seriously.

Dr. Kamesam in a statement said, "I have already invited the attention of the Government to certain important aspects of the project, which merited a detailed investigation or even enquiry, in my reply to certain claims made by the Indian representative of the Structural and Mechanical Development Engineers Ltd., to whom, it is learnt, the Government of India are to pay heavy royalties to the tune of about rupees 12 lakhs.

ROYALTY QUESTION

"The vital question is for what are the Government of India to pay royalty?", asked Dr. Kamesam after discussing certain technicalities of the patent rules. He added, "There are always frills, unimportant frills, for which patent protection may be obtained. But the moot point, in this case, is to investigate by a responsible and independent engineer, for what feature the Government of India has to pay lakhs of rupees and whether it is worth it?"

Dr. Kamesam said, "It is also to be investigated whether there are not other porous concretes which require less expensive plant, or no royalty is to be paid in India for inventions not protected here.

He felt that prefab houses as now planned by the Government were much more expensive than originally anticipated, because high tensile aluminium alloys are used "for proof trusses, purlins, doors, windows, wall frames etc".

PUNJAB SOCIALIST LEADER ARRESTED

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The arrest was made after Mr. Singh had addressed a public meeting.

Trouble Over Cow Slaughter

KARIMGANJ (Assam), Feb. 2 (PTI)—Seventeen persons were arrested in a village near Chandipur Tea Garden in Cachar District, following some disturbances there.

The trouble, according to a report received here, arose over cow slaughter in front of a place of worship. A contingent of armed police proceeded to the spot immediately and brought the situation under control.

35 Huts Burnt Down

SECUNDERABAD, Feb. 2 (UPI)—Thirty-five huts belonging to labourers were burnt down by a fierce fire which broke out at Mancherial near the Vasant Saw Mills on the 30th January afternoon. The fire raged for about eight hours and was put out after midnight.

The villagers who were rendered homeless and destitute by this calamity were given relief in the form of food and clothing by both officials and workers.

Hailstorm Damages E. Punajb Crop

AMBALA, Feb. 2 (PTI)—Hailstorm has seriously damaged the standing crops i na number of villages of Kherar Tehsil of Ambala District, particularly the villages of Bhankerpur, Sadatpur and Mubarikpur.

It is reported that hailstones of the size of ping-pong balls fall in the area on Sunday last as a result of which standing crops of wheat and gram badly damaged.

ENQUIRY INTO TRAIN DISASTER BEGINS

Railway Official Inspects Place Of Accident

AMBALA, Feb. 2 (UPI)—Shri R. C. Sood, Government Inspector of Railways commenced yesterday his enquiry into the causes of the Kashmir Mail disaster at Sirhind during the small hours of January 29.

Shri Sood made a minute inspection of the spot of the occurrence of the fucident and discussed all possible circumstances, under which the brake block could fall there. This, it is understood will constitute the main subject matter of the enquiry which will be held in camera.

The Railway Guards of the ill-fated trains are reported to have expressed yesterday that if the Kashmir Mail were not late by 19 minutes, the accident might not have happened.

Meetings Banned In West Africa

PARIS, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter). The French Council of Ministers this morning banned all meetings organised in West Africa by the African Democratic Rally (extreme left-wing autonomist movement).

A French West Africa Government communique last night blamed agitation by leaders of the Rally for clashes between Rally supporters and police in the Dahomey area of the Ivory Coast in which 14 Rally supporters were killed and over 40 wounded.

Foreign Films

Kathryn Grayson, Mario Zanza and Marjorie Reynolds in MGM'S "That Midnight Kiss" in technicolor at Metro.

A Delightful Musical Romance

'THAT MIDNIGHT KISS' AT THE METRO

THE combined talents of producer Joe Pasternak and director Norman Taurog are responsible for the feast of romance and rhythm that MGM are presenting this week at the Metro.

"That Midnight Kiss" is a diverting story with the operatic stage as a background, and provides plenty of opportunities for Kathryn Grayson to render some charming numbers, including the famous "Caro Nome."

The film, incidentally, marks the screen debut of lyric tenor Mario Lanza, whose richness of tone and extent of range will be certain to endear him to all. A personable young man who acts well, Lanza is cast as a youngster whom Kathryn Grayson tries to introduce to opera, and, inevitably, falls in love with.

Jose Inturbi has all his customary self assurance in the film, and renders some popular items, including passages from the Liszt and Tschaikovsky concertos, the Revolutionary Etude of Chopin, and Saint-Saens' "Allegro Appassionata."

Spiced with a liberal dose of the romantic element, with some ebullient comedy provided by Thomas Gomez as a typically temperamental tenor of the old school, with lots and lots of music, this film should make a hit not only with most music lovers—provided they don't mind Tschaikovsky being rehashed—but also with those who like to take their entertainment straight.

"The Great Lover" In Second Week

Bob Hope's latest mirth raiser has been convulsing audiences at the New Empire, and the film is being held over for a well-deserved second week.

The popular comedian has one of his best roles as chaperon to a group of rather stodgy boys who insist that he give up drinking, smoking and—horror of horrors—making eyes at pretty girls. He falls foul of the last rule when he takes a good look at Rhonda Fleming, a luscious but impecunious Grand-Duchess who is emigrating to America.

Roland Young is seen to advantage as an unsuccessful card sharp who strangles his would-be victims whenever he loses. This picture will definitely chase away anyone's blues.

FORTHCOMING WESTERN

Lovers of Westerns will be delighted to learn that the next attraction at the New Empire is Edward Small's "Davy Crockett, Indian Scout", a spectacular open air drama in which the producers have gone all out to give us the maximum of thrills and action. Starring George Montgomery and Ellen Drew, the film regales us with the adventures of that hardy race of pioneering spirits who opened up the American far west. Hostile Indians on the rampage wind up with a terrific massacre which as spectacular as it is brutal.

GARY COOPER IN FINE NAVAL DRAMA

IN "Task Force", now showing at the Strand, Warner Bros. have given us a documentary drama based on the role of the aircraft carrier during the late war. The battle episodes of the film ring authentic because all the major battle scenes were shot on location on the "flat-tops" themselves. Certain unreleased shots from the files of the Navy Department make the film even more realistic since these scenes are not mere acting but formed part of the record compiled when the naval battles of the last war were at their height.

Gary Cooper and Wayne Morris are teamed in the film with Walter Brennan and Jane Wyatt. The plot is highlighted by a tender love story between Cooper and Miss Wyatt, who, both as wife and as sweetheart, undergoes pangs of anguish every time her man sets out on his dangerous missions.

The dramatic climax has been photographed in Technicolour, and the use of the process brings out all the terror, the beauty, the intense thrill, and the tragic and often futile heroism that was a day-to-day occurrence in life aboard the aircraft carriers.

Jerry Wald was producer of this documentary drama which was made with the approval of the Navy department and under its technical guidance.

Gary Cooper (right) in "TASK FORCE".

THE KILLERS STAY ON AT EROS

Comedian Costello Plays A Superb Role

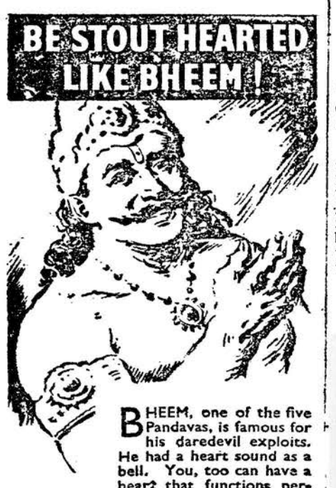
HAVING given Bombayites plenty to chuckle over during past week, plump comedian Lou Costello stays on at the Eros in "Abbott and Costello Meet The Killer", a somewhat macabre comedy dealing with the adventures of a bell-hop who keeps on stumbling across several corpses, one after another.

Achieving the somewhat doubtful distinction of becoming the chief suspect in a murder case, Costello, playing the bell-hop, finds that his troubles are just beginning, since he now has a homicidal Indian magician after his blood, and all the other shady characters make a combined effort to put the noose round his neck.

This film marks the twenty-fifth picture that the popular Abbott-Costello combination have played in, and, in laughs and crazy repartee, is well up to their usual standard.

There is a well filled cast in the picture, including our favourite bogeyman, Boris Karloff, whose hypnotic talents do not seem to have any effect on Costello, due to the latter's colossal dim-wittedness. Donna Martell, Lenore 'Aubert and Alan Mowbray round off the characters.

Boris Karloff and Costello in "The Killer."



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Portrait Of Joel McCrea

JOEL MCCREA once delivered newspapers to Louis B. Mayer.

He once owned one-half of the fantastic oil strikeland in the western end of the San Fernando Valley, California, which now brings a fabulous amount daily to its owner.

His two sons, Joel and David, have never seen their famous father in a motion picture.

McCrea, who will be seen in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Stars In My Crown" and "The Outriders", always wears the same pair of old boots at least once in every film. The boots saved his life when a rattlesnake struck at him but was unable to penetrate the leather.

He made tests with Jean Harlow and Carole Lombard, and all three of them were told they would never get anywhere in pictures.

McCrea helped Rudolph Valentino learn how to ride a horse.

The first time McCrea met his beautiful wife, Frances Dee, she told him he knew nothing about designing a house he was then working on. He asked for suggestions. She gave them. McCrea built the house for her.

Spiritual Drama At Regal

'COME TO THE STABLE'

It is indeed rarely that we find such a heart-warming tale as the one which we are told in Twentieth Century Fox's "Come To The Manger" which is now showing at the Regal. The script was specially prepared by Clare Booth Luce, but her material was provided by the real life adventures of two French nuns who came to America with twenty dollars in their pockets and a prayer in their hearts, with the fond hope that they would build a house of prayer. Strange to relate, their wish was granted, for even in this mundane age of extreme materialism, miracles do sometimes happen.

The film stars Academy Award winners Loretta Young and Celeste Holm, who act their simple roles with the deepest tact and understanding. The religious nature of the subject is nowhere thrust forward and this beautiful chronicle of faith and hope should prove an inspiration to all, Catholics and non-Catholics alike. Produced by Darryl F. Zanuck and brought to the screen by the directorial talent of Henry Koster, this unpretentious little film is one of the finest to come to Bombay in a long, long time.

R-Day Celebrations In Newsreel

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Over 1,000 feet of special coverage of the Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi comprise the Films Division's latest newsreel, scheduled for release this weekend.

The proclamation of India as a Republic by the retiring Governor General, Mr. Rajagopalachari, and the oath taking ceremony by President Rajendra Prasad are covered with appropriate talkie extracts.

Full details of the colourful five-mile long presidential procession to the Irwin Stadium, with sound effects provided by the cheering crowds, as well as of the President reviewing troops at a ceremonial parade, with massed bands playing, give a realistic picture of the celebrations.

K. L. M. Wreck Located

THE HAGUE, Feb. 2, (PTI-Reuter): The wreckage of a K L M Royal Dutch Airlines Dakota, missing on a flight from Schipol aerodrome, Amsterdam, to London with freight and mail, was found in the sea early today about 50 miles west of the Hague, according to the Dutch Navy Rescue Service.

The 1,579-ton Danish steamer "Rigmor" was stated to be standing by the wreck. Five British aircraft took off from England to help in the search.

The Dakota with a crew of seven including six trainees, left Schipol airfield at 3 a.m. Forty minutes later, as the plane was crossing the Dutch coast, it reported back to control at Schipol. Then there was silence.

More Jaipur Workers Join Hunger-Strike

JAIPUR, Feb. 1 (PTI): About 40 more workers of the local electric Power House today went on hunger strike bringing the total number of hunger strikers to about 320.

Their demands include increase in pay scales, supply of ration and provision of medical aid at the Power House.

The president of the Power House Workers' Union commenced his fast on January 26 and others joined him three days later.

About 18 per cent of the 1,500 workers of the Power House were absent yesterday and today.

'DISINTEGRATE HYDERABAD'

Swami Tirth's Warning

MADRAS, Feb. 1 (P T I): Swami Ramanand Tirth, former President of the Hyderabad State Congress expressed the opinion that the Hyderabad State should be disintegrated and the three linguistic zones—Karnataka, Maharashtra and Andhra—should be merged into the adjoining provinces.

Swami Ramanand Tirth who was addressing a public meeting last evening said the sooner the State was dismembered the better would it be for all concerned. He thought that if the State was allowed to continue as a unit it would be a centre of gravitation towards which all reactionarism would be drawn and it would have a vulnerable status to impede the natural growth of Indian body politics.

Close Watch On Grow More Food Campaign

FOUR REGIONAL OFFICERS TO BE APPOINTED

(From Our Special Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2.

THE Government of India have decided to appoint four Regional Officers in the important Provincial centres, such as Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi to keep a close watch on the progress of the Grow More Food Campaign.

The main function of these Regional Officers will be—

(1) to represent the Government of India in each region;

(2) to maintain contacts with the heads of administrations in the Province and States in that region on all matters relating to the Grow More Food Campaign;

(3) to watch and report periodically the progress made in the schemes in operation in the provinces,

(4) to appraise the centre with the difficulties of the provinces, states and unions in the implementation of the food production schemes,

(5) to check up the food production plans of the provinces, states and states unions,

(6) to make suggestions for the improvement in the schemes or for accelerating of their execution;

(7) to render all necessary help to the provinces etc., in the procurement and movement of essential raw materials required for the implementation of the schemes,

(8) to collect and reconcile relevant statistics; and

(9) to render all other help to attain the goal within the specified time limit.

THE COST

To begin with the scheme is expected to cost Rs. 40,000 only. The Government also proposes to undertake publicity, costing Indian tax payer Rs. 2,40,000. The breakup of the scheme is as follows:—

	Rs.
Films	50,000
Pamphlets	40,000
Slides	2,000
Posters	70,000
Stickers	18,000
Folders	10,000
Miscellaneous	20,000

COTTON SELF-SUFFICIENCY

The Government's cotton self-sufficiency plan is expected to cost Rs. 70 lakhs. Indications are not wanting that as part of the self sufficiency drive in cotton and jute, Government may modify its import of foodgrains programme. Government is likely to make up the entire food deficit claimed by Bombay and West Bengal, in view of their undertaking cotton and jute self-sufficiency drive, it is learned here.

AID TO SMALL SCALE WEAVERS

Mill Opened In Surat

SURAT, Feb. 2 (PTI): Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Bombay's Minister for Public Works, reiterated here today the Government's determination to accord all possible help to the small scale industries. He was declaring open the Surat Textile Mills, a spinning mill to cater yarn to the 11,500 handlooms and powerlooms of Surat.

Mr. Kanchanlal Kapadia, inviting Dr. Mehta to open the mill, said that though the production of textiles in India from sources other than large scale mills was about 35 per cent of the total production, there were only 90 spinning mills very inconveniently separated from one another, catering to the needs of the small scale industries.

He said that handloom and powerloom industries in Madras had recorded progress because of the larger number of spinning mills there.

Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Bombay industrialist, welcomed the Government of India's declaration that it would subsidise supplies of foreign cotton to mills that provided yarn to the small-scale weavers.

CHILD FEEDING IN PAKISTAN

U. N. Children's Fund Contribution

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter): A 19,000-dollar child feeding demonstration programme for Pakistan has been approved as one of the United Nations International Children Emergency Fund's new projects.

It will be conducted for 280 days in 15 Government schools, and is part of the Fund's overall 22,330,000 dollars programme for aid.

Other schemes approved by the Children's Aid Fund include an anti-tuberculosis programme in the Philippines, equipment for children's hospital wards in Hongkong and training of child care personnel in the Federation of Malaya.

Panama Joins U.N.E.S.C.O.

PARIS, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): Panama today became the 45th state to join the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation, the organisation announced.

Sugar Quota Increased In Central Provinces

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Feb 2: In view of the improvement in stock position of sugar in Jubbulpore during the month of February, the Controller of Food Supplies and the Deput Commissioner, Jubbulpore, have announced an increase of 60 per cen in quota.

MYSORE MINISTRY RECONSTITUTED

6-Man Cabinet

BANGALORE, Feb. 2 (PTI): The Mysore Ministry has been reconstituted. Final settlement as to the composition of the Cabinet was reached today. The six Congress Ministers of the old Cabinet will continue and Mr. T. Siddalingiah, President of the Mysore State Congress, has agreed to come in. The three non-Congress Ministers have been dropped.

Mr. K. C. Reddy, Chief Minister, who was re-elected leader of the Legislature Congress Party on December 17, had been working to achieve maximum unity in the party while forming his Cabinet and hence the negotiations were prolonged.

He recently went to Delhi to meet Sardar Patel and Mr. V. P. Menon. Before he could finalise the re-constitution of his Cabinet, he took ill. He is now considerably improved. The settlement arrived at to-day was the result of talks he held with prominent members of his party yesterday and today.

SEVEN-MAN CABINET

Mr. T. Siddalingiah, President of the State Congress who has been urging that the Government should follow Congress ideals more fully and who stoutly supported the rival candidate in the leadership election has now come into the Cabinet, while the non-Congress elements have been eliminated in deference to the generally expressed opinion of the party.

It is understood that the Chief Minister has submitted the names of the new seven-man Cabinet to the Rajpramukh, the Maharaja of Mysore. The swearing-in ceremony is expected to take place on Sunday or Monday.

The members of the proposed Cabinet are: Mr. K. C. Reddy, Chief Minister, Mr. H. C. Dasappa, Mr. K. T. Bhashyam, Mr. T. Siddalingiah, Mr. H. Siddiah, Mr. T. Mariappa and Mr R. Chennagiramiah.

Britain's World Lead In Motor-Car Exports

Britain, with one-tenth the productive capacity of the American motor-car industry, will export more cars than the U.S.A. in 1950. This view has been expressed by Mr. Alfred Sloan (Jr.), Chairman of General Motors Corporation, U.S.A.

Britain's motor-car exports in 1949 were at the annual rate of well over £70,000,000 (Rs. 93.33 crores), compared with £60,000,000 (Rs. 80 crores) in 1948 and £7,250,000 (Rs. 9.66 crores) in 1938.

Angora Goats Arrive By T. W. A. Cargo Plane

Twenty bearded Angora goats from Sonora, Texas, U.S.A. shipped by the India Supply Mission in Washington, to the Indian Government for breeding purposes, arrived in Bombay by a Trans World Airline Cargo plane on Thursday morning. This is the second consignment of Angora Goats flown from the U S A to India by T. W. A.

BETTER DEFENCE OF PACIFIC

More U.S. Vessels To Be Drafted

TOKYO, Feb. 2, (PTI-Reuter). The United States is to strengthen her Naval forces in the Pacific, American Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Forest Sherman said here today.

"We shall have at least two aircraft carriers and rearranged the positions so as to have cruiser strength in the West Pacific. Some destroyers will also be transferred from the Atlantic Fleet," he added.

The American Joint Chiefs of Staff, led by General Omar Bradley, inspected Yokosuka Naval Base, near Yokohama, which observers believe will be built up into a new North Pacific base. General Bradley said the Joint Chiefs of Staff had no knowledge of a proposed military alliance between the United States and Japan, to be linked with the peace treaty.

"Japan's defence must be decided at the Peace Conference and thereafter it will be up to herself" he said.

A DISSERVICE TO HUMANITY

Muslim Leader On East Bengal Tactics

BERGAMPORE (West Bengal), Feb. 2 (PTI): The Secretary of the Murshidabad Muslim Association, Syed Abul Hossain, in a statement today, deplored the ill-treatment of minorities in Eastern Pakistan. The recent incidents in East Bengal, he said, amounted to a "positive disservice to humanity."

Mr. Hossain referred to the present situation in Murshidabad district following recent "stray cases of disturbances." He said that the trouble was "immediately brought under control by the active help of a large section of the majority community."

A "quiet and healthy atmosphere" was prevailing in Murshidabad he added.

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NEED FOR PUTTING AGRICULTURE ON PLANNED BASIS

SUGGESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT

Food Minister's 'Unfulfilled Promises' Deplored

NEW DELHI, February 2, (UPI).

WHEN the Parliament resumed discussion on the President's address today, Mr. Hossain Imam, the first speaker of the day, said Government had not taken any steps to bring down the prices of foodgrains to a reasonable level.

The cost of living index, added he, had risen to 468 in October 1949 from 282 at the time of partition in 1947 and 245 in June 1945. That only showed, said he, the policy of the Government in the matter of price fixation was ineffective if not half-hearted.

India being an agricultural country, he said, the immediate duty of the Government should be to put agriculture on a planned basis which alone could ensure a planned production.

If contentment was to prevail in this or any other country, the fundamental need of human beings, food, must be satisfied. The price of foodgrains in India today was higher than even in the U.S.A. The price of foodgrains rose in India by sixty per cent between August 1947 and October 1949. This was the disastrous consequence of the removal of price control. The efforts that had since been made to reduce the price level had been ineffective and half-hearted. The mass of the cultivators were not interested in a high price level because only eight per cent had surplus stocks for sale.

He hoped that the proposed Planning Commission would evolve an integrated agricultural policy. The Commission should first plan for agriculture and then for industry. It was essential that the multi-purpose schemes should not be slowed down.

Mr. Imam did not agree with the critics of "red tape". He believed that in a centralised administration responsible for thirty-two crores of people, a certain amount of "red tapism" was inevitable.

ECONOMIC EQUALITY

Mr. Damodar Swarup Seth, Socialist member from the United Provinces, regretted that the President's address did not touch the question of economic equality. If economic equality was not established, he said, it would be difficult to obtain "political equality and freedom" attained after many years of struggle. The masses were today groaning under the "exploitation of the capitalists" and their difficulties were everyday increasing. This was crying proof of the dismal failure of the Government's attempts during the last two and a half years to improve the economy of the country.

Mr. Seth's remedy for removing economic inequality was socialisation of all property in the country. That alone, he said, would pave the way for the setting up of a classless society as envisaged by Mahatma Gandhi. The proposed Planning Commission should work for attaining economic equality. Adult franchise without economic equality was a useless "paper right" Mr. Seth said.

Mr. Frank Anthony, confining himself to the Food Ministry, said: "The record of the Food Ministry is not distinguished by any particular brilliance. Its record is one of extravagant and unfulfilled promises on puny and feeble achievements. I feel that, if it is possible, the leaders should be saved from being drawn by this Ministry into a morass of disrepute."

Mr. Anthony said that the target dead line was "unattainable, over-optimistic and based on unreliable agricultural statistics". Production in 1948-49 was the worst in the past eight years. He was not blaming the Government. He did not desire that the "Grow More Food Campaign" should be placed on a war-footing. But as a friend, he wanted to tell the Government, that if it failed in achieving the deadline as it was bound to, the dissidents would point this out as an example of "the incompetence of this Government". The Government should realise its limitations. "My own fear is that as 1951 approaches, and the Government begins to realise the impossibility of achieving food self-sufficiency, it would seek to take short cuts which may result in a toll of human life."

CIVIL LIBERTIES

Mr. Sarang Dhar Das (Orissa) complained that civil liberties, "the first casualty after the attainment of independence", had not been mentioned by the President. In the President's own home State of Bihar, Section 144 was in force almost all over the State. In the Prime Minister's home State of Uttar Pradesh, persons were being detained without trial, whether they were Communists or non-Communists, in Vindhya Pradesh there had been firing and lathi charges because some people had agitated against the Government's decision to split up the State and merge it in the neighbouring provinces. Mr. Das said: "Judging from the activities of the Government, I am absolutely convinced that the vested interests all over the country are to be protected and the people who want to grow into a democracy are to be suppressed in every way".

"I see the discontent all over the country". (RANGA: Oh) against the ruling party, and the way things are being run, we are heading for a disaster, he concluded.

GOA

Sardar Hukum Singh regretted the absence of any mention in the address about the future of Goa and French Settlements in India. These settlements might be "pimples" in the face of India's map but India's freedom, he said, would not be complete unless these foreign settlements also gained freedom. These "pimples" were making themselves poisonous and proving a menace to India's freedom. Large armies, equipped with the latest arms manufactured in United States were being imported into Goa while virulent anti-Indian propaganda was being carried on in every Church there.

Instead of promising help to the countries abroad, the Government of India would do well if they concentrated their attention and energies in helping Indians in these Settlements in getting themselves free from foreign domination.

Referring to Pakistan, Sardar Hukum Singh said that while Pakistan was preparing their citizens and building up their army for a war, India was lulling the citizens to sleep and taking them just on the opposite direction. If the Government pursued this policy, it might lead to disaster.

A COMPLIMENT

Mrs. Renuka Ray complimented the Government for three outstanding achievements, the integration of the States, the foreign policy and Labour legislation. But in respect of economic policy, the picture was not so happy, she said, and the announcement of a Planning Commission itself would not enthuse the people of the country.

The days of paper plans and schemes were gone and the country was facing with urgent necessity. She wondered why it was not possible for the Government to attain self-sufficiency based on the constructive programme of Mahatma Gandhi on a wide scale.

SOME NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

Common Man's Dilemma

Mr. H. V. Kamath said that the Government had to their credit some notable achievements. India's international prestige was high and the country was united as never before. But in the economic and industrial field, Government's actions were characterised by "vacillation, weakness of will and hesitation". There seemed to be a "planned planlessness". The common man wanted to know what he had gained out of independence. It was because he had not found an answer to this question that his enthusiasm on January 26, 1950 was much less than on August 15, 1947.

The promised Enquiry Committee had not yet been appointed to bring to book the culprits responsible for the "sugar muddle". Government's decision to come to terms with the tax-evader would bring no encouragement to the honest tax-payer. Many foreign experts had been brought to this country but industrial production remained where it was.

As a way out of the country's difficulties Mr. Kamath suggested the encouragement of cottage industries and the appointment of younger men to the Cabinet. In his "Ministry of youth" Mr. Kamath said amidst laughter, the average age of ministers would be not more than fifty.

Mr. Syamanandan Sahaye said that in these days of conflicting idealogies, the best solution of all the ills was perhaps the growth of national institutions on co-operative lines— a golden mean between state economy, private economy and mixed economy.

SCHEDULED CASTES

Mr. R. Velayudhan (Travancore-Cochin) speaking as a member of the Scheduled Castes, said that the greatest problem the country faced today was the problem of emancipating the downtrodden from economic and social bondage. "Today we have no untouchables", he said, "but there is untouchability in the country." Despite the provisions in the Constitution to the contrary, forced labour was still prevalent. Mr. Velayudhan suggested the apointment of a Ministry of Economic Affaires to bring about economic co-ordination between the different ministries.
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GOVERNMENT PRAISED

Mr. Joachim Alva (Bombay) in his maiden speech, asked critics of the Government to remember that there could be no alternative to the present one. India's foreign policy, he stated, had received praise from the Chancelleries of the world.

Mr. Alva referred to Russia's recognition of Indo-China and said: "The story of Eastern Europe is being enacted in South-East Asia." He wanted the Prime Minister to have annual conferences with the Ambassadors in S.E. Asia and the Middle East. Referring to the Aga Khan's recent advice to Indian Muslims, Mr. Alva said that if only the Aga Khan had followed this advice, at the time of the Minto-Morley reforms, the country would not nave been partitioned.

Stressing the need for a solution of the land problem, Mr. Alva said, "whoever solves the problem will become the master of the land."

LABOUR LEGISLATION DEFENDED

Sardar's Speech

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister, replying to some of the points raised, criticised the statement by Mr. Khandubhai Desai, President of the INTUC, that the Government for the last two years had been following a policy of appeasement towards the capitalists. "When we make speeches on the floor of this House", said Sardar Patel, "We have to take into account the effect on the country as a whole. I ask you to consider the amount of Labour legislation both in the Centre and the provinces that we have pushed forward in the course of these two years. Can you find a parallel anywhere? We have tried our best to give Labour as much as possible."

Denying the charge of appeasement of capitalists, Sardar Patel said, "The capitalists themselves are afraid to come near the Government because we feel that they have not played their part. Whether it is right or wrong is another matter, but I had not expected a seasoned member of this House like Mr. Khandubhai Desai to make a loose charge of this kind. A back-bencher may make any remarks he like and due to his inexperience he can be excused. But Khandubhai is not enjoying that position and he must not use such loose expressions."

LABOUR MUST COOPERATE

"We are passing through a critical period. Our economic condition is such that unless we increase our food and industrial production, we cannot solve our problems. You all rightly appreciate the good work that our army has done and you want that the army's strength should be maintained. I am also of that view but you must see that the strain on our economy is heavy and, therefore, unless we produce more, we cannot get on. The time has come when we must adjust our policy in such a way that all sections of society will co-operate. Labour must have its due but we must ask Labour to produce as much as possible. When Mr. Desai says that Labour has played its part, I will cite only one instance. In Madhya-bharat, the Textile Industry earned rupees fiftyseven lakhs out of which rupees forty lakhs was given as bonus to Labour. If forty lakhs are given as bonus out of fiftyseven lakhs, out of which we have to take income-tax, is that a policy of appeasement of the capitalists or is it heading towards destruction?"

The Madhya Bharat Ministry, Sardar Patel went on, had passed an order that clerks in the mills should not work more than six hours. That was not the position in any mill in India outside Madhya Bharat. Were the mills in Madhya Bharat to employ another set of clerks for an extra two hours?

Sardar Patel said that those who attacked the Government outside alleged that the Government sided with the capitalists. He would ask the House who on the benches of the House was a capitalist.

Making allegations of this sort, Sardar Patel said, would not create conditions of co-operation. "By all means attack the capitalists wherever they are in the wrong and make them see their folly but do not create an impression that this Government will not look to the interests of Labour."

CENTRALLY-ADMINISTERED AREAS

Replying to criticism of the Government's policy towards Chief Commissioner's provinces, Sardar Patel said that some of these provinces had been centrally-administered for a long time. Only the other day the Prime Minister had made a statement on the Government's policy towards Delhi and an appropriate bill was being drafted in pursuance of that statement. Ajmer was also an old Chief Commissioner's province. As soon as the present Government came into power, they tried to set up Advisory Committees in these provinces. Naturally, the representatives of these provinces would not be satisfied with mere advisory committees but the stability of the country demanded that the changes should not be too rapid.

A large number of refugees had come into this small area. There were communal troubles there on several occasions and they had to be suppressed with severity. Under these circumstances, Government could not immediately set up democratic institutions there and hand over power to people who were not experienced.

Another old Chief Commissioner's province, said Sardar Patel, was Coorg near Mysore. There was a legislature there. There were two groups in Coorg, one in favour of merger with Mysore or Madras and the other opposed to merger. The Coorg were a peace-loving people and they had accepted the Central Government's advice that they could proceed only with the general consent of the people.

DEVELOPMENT OF CUTCH

Primitive Conditions Pointed Out

Cutch, which had a huge unprotected and unguarded area of desert, was a centrally-administered area. "I do not know", said Sardar Patel, "whether anyone of you here, except the representative of Cutch, has seen how unfortunate is that State. If you want to see primitive conditions which existed in India 1,000 years ago, you will find them in Cutch. There is no railway or motor bus or even roads there, because the old Maharaja thought that no outside influence should be allowed to enter that state (laughter).

The currency there was called by the peculiar name of "Cowrie". It had a speciality of its own. In this State we are going to develop a big port. After having lost Karachi, the strain on the port of Bombay is too great and, therefore, on the western coast we must have another first-class port. The Government of India have taken over Cutch as a Chief Commissioner's province in order to develop this area.

VINDHYA PRADESH CABINET

Proceeding Sardar Patel said that as the Ministers of Vindhya Pradesh could not work together, they resigned. As no alternative Ministry was found feasible, for the time being this area had to be placed under an official set-up. The Centre could, obviously, not allow the peace of this area to be disturbed by dacoits and murderers.

To administer Vindhya Pradesh, Sardar Patel said, he had asked the U.P. to give some officers on loan. The United Provinces had responded on early occasions and had no more officers to spare. The C.P. was able to spare some officers and it did so.

"When I put these officers from the Central Provinces there", said Sardar Patel, "there was an outcry from some parts of the adjoining area of the United Provinces that these officers had been placed there in order to integrate Vindhya Pradesh with the Central Provinces. I assured them that I did not want to favour either the United Provinces or the Central Provinces. It was not my intention to disintegrate this area but if there was no alternative. I could not help it".

The enquiry into the charges against certain Ministers said Sardar Patel, had gone on for a long time. He did not want to forecast what the result would be. As one who had worked in an organisation all his life, he would, of course, be ashamed to find any Congressman convicted of an offence which was not related to maladministration alone but he did not know whether the Ministers would be found absolved of the charges or not. If he had mentioned the matter at all, it was because it was not fair to him or to the House to allege, as one member had done, that he did not know what was happening in the area under his charge. "I have too much knowledge of this area", said Sardar Patel amidst laughter, and added amidst cheers, "I do not allow anything to be done in any area under my charge without my knowledge and approval."

"If in an emergency anything is done by an officer who had had no time for obtaining my prior consent, he has to approach me immediately and to bear the consequences of his mistake if any (hear, hear). I want to assure the House that what is done in Vindhya Pradesh is done with my full knowledge and approval".

As regards the specific charge made by Pandit Balkrishna Sharma, Sardar Patel said: "My friend has made a remark which is very derogatory to the administration. He said that a person was arrested in Vindhya Pradesh for lending a motorcar to Mr. Ram Manohar Lohia. How can one believe such a story? There are 10 items in the charge against this particular person. One particular line has been separated from these charges and placed before the House".

PANDIT BALKRISHNA SHARMA: I had made it definitely clear that one of the charges was this (lending the car to Dr. Lohia) and another charge was that the gentleman waited in a deputation on the Prime Minister.

SARDAR PATEL: That also is a misrepresentation. Among the charges, one is that this gentleman not only organised a violent agitation which resulted in firing, but he organised a demonstration which prevented the Secretary of the States Ministry from seeing the Maharaja of Rewa. The Secretary wanted to obtain the signature of the Maharaja. The demonstrators did not allow him to approach the Maharaja's palace and had to come back. It was the greatest insult offered to the Government of India. We had to put up with it. This gentleman was a party to organising the whole thing. He sent a deputation to the Prime Minister and misrepresented the whole thing.

Sardar Patel said that these two were only part of the ten charges. Pandit Sharma had said that the gentleman was arrested under the Goonda Act. "I know that a lot of goondaism was practiced there" said Sardar Patel but there is no Goonda Act there that I know of. Perhaps he knows about it more (laughter). This is not fair.

Sardar Patel continued: "If our servicemen are kept there, it is because for the moment no democratic set-up is possible.

"I have got the report of the Financial Integration Committee which says that Vindhya Pradesh cannot stand on its legs. So we have to consider what we should do. I called the representatives of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh and asked them to agree as to the distribution of this area for merger into their provinces. They could not agree.

"We cannot allow disturbed conditions in the heart of India. There should be no misapprehension in the minds of anybody that we want to take away the liberty of anyone. We do not want to come in the way of anybody in public life".

What The M. P.s Said..

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2.

HERE are some points made during today's debate:

Mr. Hossain Imam: The proposed planning commission should frame a coordinated agricultural policy in order to bring down prices.

Mr. Damodar Swarup Seth: The President's address did not touch the question of economic equality.

Mr. Frank Anthony: The Food Ministry's record is one of extravagant and unfulfilled promises and puny and feeble achievements.

Mr. Sarangadhar Das (Orissa): Civil liberties have been the first casualty after independence.

Sardar Hukam Singh: India cannot be free until the foreign pockets are liquidated.

Smt. Renuka Ray: While encouraging private enterprise, it must be effectively controlled.

Mr. H. V. Kamath: Government seems to be following a policy of "planned planlessness," India needs a younger Cabinet.

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava: Pandit Nehru and Sardar Patel should look after the general affairs of the country without being burdened with specific portfolios.

Mrs. Uma Nehru: Government should give first priority to food, clothing and housing. Controls should be abolished.

REORGANISE MACHINERY

Mr. Mahavir Tyagi: The country needs a "Republican Cabinet." If the Government machinery is not reorganised, Parliament would have to do it in a few months.

Mr. Syamanandan Sahaya: Government should encourage co-operative movements.

Mr. Joachim Alva: Government should solve the land problem. Whoever solves the land problem would be the master of the land.

Mr. Velayudhan: Let there be a Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Sardar Gurmukh Singh Musafir: The border people are discouraged by the Government's "weak policy" towards Pakistan.

Syed Nausher Ali: The "cease fire" in Kashmir and reference of the Kashmir dispute to the Security Council were first class blunders. The reunion of the two Bengals is imperative.

Dr. P. K. Sen: The address is too vague. More light should be thrown on the scope of the planning commission.

Mr. Kulakhar Chaliha: Border defences should be strengthened and India should build up a strong navy.

The Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, will reply tomorrow.

EXECUTION OF SURAT GRID SCHEME

Dr. Jivraj Mehta Explains Delay

SURAT, Feb. 2 (PTI): "The Government are giving priority to schemes calculated to harness rivers and increase electricity supply in the province, as these schemes will result in greater production", said Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Bombay's Minister for Public Works, addressing the Surat Chamber of Commerce this evening.

Dr. Mehta was replying to the President of the Chamber, who complained that power shortage held up the expansion of industry in Surat.

Dr. Mehta said that delay in the execution of the Grid scheme was due to the non-arrival of necessary machinery and the paucity of specialists. He said that the Grid scheme will come into operation in the Ahmedabad area during this year, while it will take another year in the Surat area.

SEVERE QUAKE SHOCK AT BAREILLY

BAREILLY, February 2. (PTI): Two eathquake shocks of severe intensity were felt at Bareilly shortly after midnight.

The first shock was felt at nineteen minutes past midnight.

The second shock which was more severe than the first, rocked houses and rattled windows and doors.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS IN PARLIAMENT

BETTER CARRIAGES FOR JANATA TRAINS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (PTI): Mr. K. Santanam, Minister of State for Railways, told Mr. R. K. Sidhva at question time today that 14 third class Janata trains were being run on the Indian railways so far. In addition 16 short distance trains were also being run on the B B & C. I. Answering supplementaries, Mr. Santanam said there was no proposal to start a Janata Express between Madras and Delhi.

The Minister said the Government intended to put improved types of third class carriages on these trains but the fares would continue to be same "for the present"

The Deputy Minister for Communications, Mr. Khurshid Lal, confirmed that a representation had been received from the Telephone Workers' Union in Bombay regarding the manufacture of certain telephone components in the workshops at Bombay. Mr. Khurshid Lal, who was replying to Mr. Sidhva, said that the scheme was under consideration of the government. The factory was capable of manufacturing some components but it was not always economical to manufacture some components when the bulk of the parts have to be imported from abroad. When the telephones factory started at Bangalore was fully under way, there would be no need for expanding the Bombay or other telephone workshops.

The scheme to shift the workshops at Bombay to Alipore or Jubbulpore had now been abandoned, he added. Mr. Khurshid Lal told another questioner that there were at present one lakh of persons in India on the waiting list for telephone connections.

AIR INDUSTRY

Mr. Khurshid Lal, said in Parliament today that he did not agree with the view expressed by the K. L. M. chief that there was no error of judgment on the part of the pilot of the K.L.M. Constellation which crashed at Santa Cruz on July 12 last.

Khurshid Lal said that the civil aviation department were studying the recommendations of the KLM enquiry committee. He said that the cost of lengthening and strengthening the east west runway at Santa Cruz would be approximately Rs. 27 lakhs and that of providing surveillance radar and ground controlled approach with moving target indicator Rs. 15 lakhs. No specific recommendation had been made by the committee for cutting down any particular hill.

As regards lighting arrangements, the committee had recommended that the hill tops should be provided with a better type of obstruction lights and that the airport should be equipped with intensity runway and approach lighting. The work of installing obstruction lights estimated to cost Rs. 2.5 lakhs would be taken up during 1950-51. It would not be possible to undertake the provision of permanent high intensity runway and approach lighting and other visual ground aids for night landing at the airport due to paucity of funds.

WATER DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Minister for Food and Agriculture, told Parliament at question time today that a some of Rs. 1,50,000 had been budgeted for the work of the Rajasthan underground water development board. The board would confine its activities to an area forty miles in length and four to five miles in breadth and to the development of water resources in that area.

Forty to fifty thousand gallons of water per hour had been obtained from a well in the area in their preliminary survey. The use of more machines had resulted in this volume increasing to one lakh gallons.

CHAMPION QUESTIONER

The Speaker told Parliament today that he had decided to give "some latitude" to Mr. R. K. Sidhva in the matter of putting starred questions

Yesterday, while announcing modification in rules, the Speaker had said that each member would be allowed to put only three starred questions on a single day.

When the fourth question in Mr. Sidhva's name was called out today, the Speaker explained that it had been represented to him by Mr. Sidhva that he had fixed up his "programme" regarding questions for the next few days on the basis of five starred question a day and that he should be given some time to "adjust" himself to the change.

While agreeing to give Mr Sidhva some latitude, the Speaker asked him to adjust himself "as early as possible". Mr. Sidhva holds the record in Parliament for putting the first five questions every day in every session.

2 DAYS FOR DISCUSSION

Two days in a week, Wednesday and Friday, have been allotted by the Speaker for raising discussion on a matter of "sufficient public importance" which has been the subject of question in Parliament.

A member wishing to raise discussion is required to give notice to the Secretary to the House seven days in advance of the day on which the matter is desired to be raised.

ATTENDANCE CONTROL

An accurate record of the attendance of members is being maintained now.

Article 101 (4) of the Constitution provides that if for a period of more than 60 days a Member of Parliament is, without permission of the House, absent from the meetings, the House may declare his seat vacant.

In view of the specific provision members have been asked to sign the attendance register when they attend the meetings of Parliament.

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INCREASED LIQUIDATION IN COTTON MILL SHARES

Tata Steels Decline After Early Recovery

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

At present a feeling of hesitancy has developed on the Bombay Stock Exchange and price movement remains confined to a narrow range. Some traders are inclined to look for a mild reaction and are awaiting for lower levels while others believe that the recent liquidation has improved the technical situation. However there is more disposition to await the Central Budget proposals which are expected to have far-reaching effect on the general price structure.

Tata Steel Defds. opened at Rs. 1645/- and declined at Rs. 1630 under scattered selling but short covering hardened Defds at Rs. 1657/-. At this level the demand was satisfied and the market again turned quiet at Rs. 1645. Ordinary Shares were placed at Rs. 331/- Bengal Steels were quoted at Rs. 22/7 and Indian Irons were done at Rs. 31/2.

Among Mill Shares Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1092/8 and Kohincors changed hands at Rs. 303/12 Gokaks were quoted at Rs. 274/- and Central India were quoted at Rs. 243/- Simplex Mill Shares were placed at Rs. 194 while Swadeshi Mill Shares were quoted at Rs. 270/-.

Belapur sugars were done at Rs. 223/- while Burmas were quoted at Rs. 360/- Central Bank Shares changed hands at Rs. 82/8.

Later on there was increased selling and Tata Steel Defds. were quoted at Rs. 1620/- on private reports of small Steel production but short covering improved Defds. at Rs. 1635/- Bombay Dyeings declined at Rs. 1082/8 and steadied at Rs. 1087/8.

Towards the close there was renewed selling and Tata Steel Defds. declined at Rs. 1617/8 and Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 327/- Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 1080/- while Kohinoors eased off at Rs. 297/-. Closing tone was easy.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	1080 0
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)	296 0
Svadeshi Mills (12-4)	267 0
Central India Mills (6)	240 0
Simplex Mills (9-8)	191 0
New Great Eastern (9)	153 0
Indore	115 0
Gokak Mills (12)	271 0
Century Spinning (15)	235 0
Swan Mills (30)	315 0
Indian Bleaching (6)	148 0
Finlay Mills (15)	270 0
Morarji Goculdas (S)	435 0
Edward Sassoon (30)	238 12
Meyer (12)	103 2
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 13
India United Ord. (-12-0)	11 14
India United Defd. (0-12-0)	1 14
Madhusudan (15)	180 0
Podar (S)	140 0
Khatau Makanji (5)	190 0
Swadeshi Coupon	68 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	327 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-13)	1622 8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref	137 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (S)	159 0
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8) XD	355 0
Belapur Sugar (9)	222 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	30 8
Scindia Steam (0-8)	13 7
Premier Construction	92 0
Tata Chemical	11 6
Tata Oil (2)	51 12
Indian Iron (1) XD	30 15
Bengal Steel (0-12)	22 3
Bengal India Corp. (9-9)	9 3 6
Indian Copper	2 7
Wimco	211 4
Alcock	280 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Power (25)	1542 8
Tata Hydro (3)	155 8
Andhra Valley (25)	1435 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	60 0
Ahmedabad (50)	150 0
Indian Mfg. (40)	2920 0
Kuria X D	118 12
Colaba (12)	118 0
New City (11)	186 4
Minerva (12)	138 12
Bradbury (12)	520 0
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	5 0
Bharat Mills (2)	33 0
Mysore (4)	183 12
Madhavji	14 8
Model Mills (12-8)	173 8
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	678 12
Vishnu Cotton (8)	222 8
Western India (40)	3925 0
Standard (15)	227 4
Sholapur (200)	3150 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	16 3
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000 0
Tata Mills (2-4)	59 8
New Victoria 2 (Pref)	4 4
Palton (8)	118 0
Gold Mohor	302 8
New Kaiser Hind	325 0
Ahmedabad Advance (9)	251 4
New Ahmedabad	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3) XD	32 0
New Union Mills (0-8)	15 14
Madhusudan S (2-8)	35 0
Shinivas Mills (S)	171 4
Raja Bahadur (4)	62 0
Berar Mills	250 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
ELECTRIC (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	129 6
Ahmedabad New	76 8
Surat Electric	130 0
Karachi Electric (2)	136 14
Broach (0-5)	6 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 3
Amalgamated (0-2)	11 1
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electricity Supply (S)	140 10
Bombay Suburban (3)	152 8
Bombay Suburban New	120 0
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India XD	1747 8
Imperial Bank P. (6-12) XD	431 4
Central Bank (1-8)	82 0
Central Bank New (1-8)	84 0
Bank of India (4)	176 0
Union (0-3)	7 3
Baroda (2-8)	121 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	37 8
United Commercial (1-8)	46 0
Jaipur Bank (1-5)	35 8
Hindustan Commercial	17 0
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	94 0
INSURANCE SHARES	
Oriental (125)	1475 0
Empire (10)	671 4
New India (1-7)	59 4
Jupiter (0-12)	13 0
Vulcan (0-10)	13 0
Indian Mercantile (2)	36 8
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B. I. G. (1)	15 1
Industrial and Prudential	26 8
Neptune	7 0
New Great	25 0
All India General	12 12
RAILWAY SHARES	
C.P. (1-14) XD	113 8
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Steamer (103)	247 8
Bombay Burma New (5) XD	126 4
Burma Petrol	1 4
Mackenzie (6)	90 0
Port Canning (3)	60 8
Kemp and Co. (30)	362 8
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	125 0
Industrial Invest Trust (5-12)	87 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	43 0
Mukund Iron	13 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	17 0
Alembic (15)	150 0
Supreme Industries	72 8
Bombay Uganda	67 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	28 0
Indian Cement (1937)	171 4
Walchand Nagar Industries (B. S.)	135 0
United Motor	28 0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880 0
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Sardar Carbonic X.D.	700 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Gujarat Motor	26 8
Estrella Batteries	30 8
Manmad Press	120 0
National Rayon	54 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	201 4
Andhra Valley (7)	1240 0
Tata Power (7-8)	1340 0
Hydro Electric (7)	127 8
Bombay Steamer (6)	126 14
Central India (5)	655 0
Swedeshi Mills	139 8
Vishnu Mills (7)	650 0
Lakshmi Mills	270 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	220 4
Podar Mills (4)	105 10
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	106 4
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	316 0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	130 0
Pre. Construction First	100 8
Pre. Construction 2nd Pref.	98 0
Amalgamated	115 8
Hasir	72 9
Tata Chemical	122 8
Walchandnagar	130 0
Jupiter	13 4
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	102 8
Mackenzie (1st)	85 0
Mackenzie (2)	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	127 8
Mysore Mill	60 0
Standard	99 0
Madhusudan	12 0
Khatau	97 8
Morarji	94 8
National Rayon	73 8
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952	103 8
Gula Kajamsingh	8 9
Rubber Planting	17 0
Bombay Steamer	97 0
Indian Hume Pipe	101 8
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchandnagar	105 8
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 11
New Victoria	4 4
266-13-9.	
New Victoria	21 4
Phalton	118 0
Gold Mohor	302 4
New Kaiser-i-Hind	325 0
Sajjan	150 0
Osmanshahi	250 0
Ajani Shahi	280 0
Air Services	4 8
Air India	65 0
Hind Motors	5 1
Indian Steam	7 11

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

Tata Ordinary 327. Tata Deferred 1622-8, Indian Iron 30-15, Steel Corpn. of Bengal 22-3, Bombay Dyeing 1080, Central India 240, Gokak 271-14, Kohinoor 296-4, Simplex 191, Swadeshi 267-8, Tata Power 1542-8, Associated Cement 159-6, Belapur 222-8, Bombay Burma (Old) 355, Scindia 13-7, Central Bank 82, New India 59, Tata 2nd Pref 137-8.

ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

120	Ready Japan	5 5	0
150	Ready Japan	44 6	0
120	Ready Italy	4 13	0
150	Ready Italy	4 5	0
150	D. Box Feb.	855 0	0
150	D. Box March	861 0	0

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

The local Bullion market was fairly steady today under moderate buying support. At the opening the market was quiet but soon improved on Bulls buying. Although arrivals are well above daily offtake but the market is supported by professional operators.

At the opening Maha delivery silver was quoted at Rs. 181/8 and advanced at Rs. 182/2. Ready silver was placed at Rs. 182/4. Maha delivery gold opened at Rs. 114/5 and after declining at Rs. 114/3 steadied at Rs. 114/4. Read. gold was placed at Rs. 114/4 and sovereigns were priced at Rs. 75/4.

Later on there was increased buying in Gold on reports of Death-duty Bill coming. Gold advanced at Rs. 115/13 for Fagan and closed as under:

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	182	12	0
Maha dely	182	12	0
Ready Gold	115	2	0
Fagan dely.	115	8	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, February 2.

The produce market was quiet today with a small decline in groundnuts but linseed was steady. Business was slow and quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—			
Quality Receipts	Rs. 39	14	0
Bold Ready	39	0	0
Oil Bombay Mills	22	4	0
Oil Up-country Mills	21	9	0
LINSEED—			
Satna	35	8	0
Indore	37	0	0
Bold	36	14	0
Satna	36	2	0
February-March	36	0	0
March-April	35	8	0
April-May	35	0	0
Oil	21	6	0
CASTORSEED—			
Ready	27	8	0

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 1.

KARNAK:	
Mar.	82.15—35
May	81.60—40
July	81.10—40
ASHMOUNI:	
Feb.	78.05—55
April	70.70—55
June	76.05—25

MID-JANUARY COTTON PARITY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics mid-January parity price for cotton 29.88 (mid-Dec. comparison 29.76).

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, February 2.

2 1/2	per cent 1954	98 14	0
2 1/2	per cent 1950	100 5	0
2 1/2	per cent 1955	99 14	0
2 1/2	per cent 1961	96 14	0
2 1/2	per cent 1960	99 9	0
2 3/4	per cent 1962	99 2	0
2 3/4	per cent 1973	95 14	0
3	per cent Con.	97 7	0
3	per cent 1951-54	101 7	0
3	per cent 1952-55	101 12	0
3	per cent 1957	101 12	0
3	per cent 1959-61	101 3	0
3	per cent 1963-65	100 5	0
3	per cent 1966-68	100 3	0
3	per cent 1970-75	100 1	0
2 1/2	per cent 1954-59	104 6	0
3	1/2 per cent 1960-70	110 4	0
4	1/2 per cent 1950-55	101 6	0
4	1/2 per cent 1958-60	110 6	0
4	1/2 per cent 1953-66	113 0	0
	PROVINCIAL LOANS		
3	per cent Bombay 1962	99 4	0
2	3/4 per cent C. P. 1961	97 1	0
2	3/4 per cent Madras 1961	97 1	0
3	per cent Bombay 1955	100 8	4
3	per cent Bombay 1958	100 4	0
3	per cent Punjab 1952	99 0	0
3	per cent Madras 1952-53	100 6	0
3	per cent C. P. 1952	100 6	0
3	per cent U. P. 1952	100 6	0
3	per cent N.W.P. 1952	98 2	0
3	per cent U. P. 1961-68	99 12	0
3	1/4 per cent Municipal 1977	99 0	0
4	per cent B.P.T. long dated	109 12	0
4	per cent Bombay Muni.	109 8	0
5	p.c. Bombay Muni 1959	114 0	0
6	per cent Bom. Municipality 1954	113 8	0
6	per cent K. P. T. 1950	113 12	0

INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

The variable dividend industries securities index declined by .36 to 118.79 during the week ended January 21, mainly owing to the falling prices of the shares of chemicals (by 2.5), breweries (by 2.1), general engineering (by 1.9), and cements (by 1.3), according to the Reserve Bank of India's index numbers of security prices.

The Government and semi-Government securities index showed a light fall of .07 to 101.12, while the fixed dividend industrial securities index remained unchanged at 100.76.

In the regional groups, Bombay lost one point at 136.3 and Calcutta lost .1, while Madras gained .3 all these changes being caused by corresponding changes in the variable dividend industrial indices.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.

B. C. Rates T. T D. D 1/5 29-32 up to 6 Months.

London Banks Selling T. T D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready.

London Banks Selling T. T. D. D 1/5 15/16 upto 6 Months.

London Banks Buying T. T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.

London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month.

London Banks Buying D. D. 1 6 1/8 7th—9th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month.

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th—9th Month.

New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 473 1/4, Montreal Rs. 435.

Banks Selling T T. D. D. Rs 478 1/4, Montreal Rs. 435.

Banks buying T. T. Rs. 475 Montreal Rs 431 3/4.

Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 472 1/2 Montreal Rs. 429 3/4.

Banks Buying D D. Rs. 473 3/4 L/C., Montreal Rs. 430 1/2 L/C.

Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 7250.

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 7500.

Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79

Switzerland Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 90 1/4.

Belgium Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Fcs. 1033.

Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Glds. 79.

Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 83 1/4

Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 156 3/4.

Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs 238 3/4.

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8 to 2.80 1/8, London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. not quoted. London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97-1/4-3/4, London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl 10.63-65, London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 35. London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 139.90-140.10, London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36, London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 27/32-1/2 15/16 London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 89.40-91.00 London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 10-63-65, London/Karachi Cross Rate Rs. 2/1-84 2/1.94, London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es 80.35 London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 5.60-5.65 London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 3.07-3/4-3.08 1/4, London/New York Cross Rate dol. 2.79 7/8-2.80 1/8, London Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02. London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 979-981 London/Prague Cross Rate K 141 London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/32 2/4 5/32, London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50. London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 12.23-12 26

London discts. 3 Mos. 5/8 p.c.
London Discts. 6 Mos. 3/4 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money: Call 3/4 per cent, 3 Mos 1 per cent, 6 Mos. 1-1/4 per cent, 12 Mos. 1-1/2 per cent.
Tone: Easy

Imperial Bank Of India

The following is the Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 27th January:—

LIABILITIES	Rs	
Capital		5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund		6,30,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	255	45,56,000
Acceptances for Constituents		69,000
Sundries		77,76,000
Total		268,16,53,000
ASSETS	Rs.	
Investments:		
Government Securities		100,41,86,000
Other Authorised Investments		10,52,19,000
Advances:		
Loans		24,22,28,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts		68,25,69,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased		6,22,24,000
Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra		69,000
Dead Stock		1,58,92,000
Sundries		1,28,90,000
Cash:		
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India		41,13,18,000
Balances with other Banks		14,50,58,000
Total		268,16,53,000

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

Apollo 2/13.
B. Dyeing 1095 85 95 80.
C. India 250/8 42 45 40.
Colaba 118.
Finlay 275 70.
Gokak 276 72-8 74 71.
I.U. Defd. 1/14/6 1/14.
I.U. Ord. 12/2 11/14 12 11/15.
Indore 115 16/4 15.
Kohinoor 305 300 3/8 296.
Meyer 103/2.
Model 172/8.
New Great 163.
Sholapur 3150.
Simplex 197 90/8 94 91.
Svadeshi 273 74/8 69 72 67.
Swan 315.
Tata Mills 59/8.
Vishnu 222/8.
Scindia 13/11 13/8/6 13/10 13/6/6 13/7.
Baroda 122 21.
Central 82/12 82.
Central New 84.
Imperial Old 1750 47/8.
Imperial New 431/4 30 31/4.
India 177 76.
U. Commercial 46.
Ahmedabad 129/6 30 29/6
Andhra 1432/8 35
Amalgamated 11/2 11/1
Suburban 152/8
Hydro 155/8
Hydro Pref 127/8
Power 1542/8 40 42/8
B.I.G. 15/1
New India 59/4
B Steel 22/8 22/4 22/8 22/4 22/5 22/3
I Iron 31/2 30/12 31/2 30/15
Tata Defd 1645 55 30 60 20 35 18/12 22/8
Tata Ord. 331 31/8 28/8 32/8 27/8 29 27
Tata 2nd Pref 137/4 37/8 37
Alcock 280
A.C.C. 160/4 59 59/12 58/8 59
Belapur 224 21/8 23/8 22
B B Old '61/4 57/8 61/4 55 60 55
B.B Petrol 1/5 1/4
B.I.C. 9/3/6
I Copper 2/7
P Const. 95/8 93 94 93/8 94 92
Shivrajpur 30/8 30 30/8
Tata Chem. 11/11 11/7
Tata Oil 52/8 51/12
Wimco 211/4

Yarn Market Finds Increased Enquiries

BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

The yarn market continued practically unchanged with very minor fluctuations during the week owing to a number of intervening holidays.

REVISED PRICES

The Government of India have now announced the change in prices of yarn as well as cloth for the quarter beginning February 1, 1950. The market circles have noted the special care taken by the Government to see that whilst giving some slight relief to the mill industry, consumers are not hit in any way. In coarse and medium counts in yarn as well as in cloth, prices remain unchanged, whereas in the case of fine counts prices have increased to the extent of about 2 per cent and in the case of superfine counts prices have even increased to the extent of about 4 per cent. The Government have devised ways and means to ensure that the increase is not passed on to the consumers except to a very small and negligible extent. Market circles consider this gratifying but doubt whether inspite of Government's efforts the consumer will get his supply of yarn or cloth except by paying unduly higher prices.

There is little change in the foreign yarns position. In the case of art silk yarns, prices fluctuated on a minor scale on the exchange but ready goods prices have been rising almost every day due to insufficient supplies, and art silk weaving mills have been passing through difficult times, inspite of somewhat better feeling in art silk cloth.

INDIAN YARNS

Prices remained nominally unchanged and enquiries increased from all consuming centres but supplies were very short, with the result that consumers and dealers were compelled to pay much higher prices than the controlled rates. Enquiries for exports of coarse and medium counts considerably increased but in the absence of final decision from the Government of India, no further business could be arranged. As regards fine and superfine counts, enquiries continued very limited.

ARTSILK YARNS

Inspite of the report that Government were considering granting further licenses for imports of rayon yarns from soft currency countries, prices fluctuated on a narrow scale due to a number of holidays and also due to absence of any official announcement so far from New Delhi. Meanwhile art silk mills have been finding it extremely difficult to obtain their supplies of yarns at any reasonable prices and in many cases unduly higher prices have to be paid. Rayon cloth on the other hand remained unchanged although the tone improved to some extent.

SHIPPING NEWS

We give below the latest information regarding vessels due to arrive at and sail from Bombay under Agency of Messrs. Volkart Brothers:—

DUE TO ARRIVE AT BOMBAY

From U. S. A. Canadian Pacific Ports, via Manila, Indonesia, Straits, Colombo: s.s. "Hoegh Silverbeam" 14th February s.s. "Lawak" 20th March.

From U. S. A. Canadian Atlantic Ports, Gulf of Mexico via Mediterranean, Persian Gulf and Karachi: S. S. "Raki" 10th Feb., S. S. "Hoegh Merchant" 16th February, S. S. "Marken" 3rd April.

From Australia via Singapore, Colombo, Marmagoa: s.s. "Hoegh Silvercloud" 8th February.

From North Continental and Mediterranean Ports via Karachi: s.s. "Hoegh Silverwave" 2nd March.

DUE TO SAIL FROM BOMBAY

For Calcutta via Colombo, Madras: s.s. "Raki" 14th February, s.s. "Marken" 8th April, s.s. "Aalsum" 5th February.

For U. S. A. Canadian Atlantic Ports, via Red Sea Ports and Mediterranean: s.s. "Hoegh Silvercloud" 11th February, s.s. "Hoegh Silverwave" 9th March.

For Persian Gulf via Karachi: s.s. "Hoegh Silverbeam" 20th February, s.s. "Lawak" 25th March.

For Australia via Colombo, Singapore: s.s. "Hoegh Silverlight" 6th February, s.s. "Hoegh Merchant" 20th February.

Madras Share Market

MADRAS, Feb. 2 (P.T.I.): Following are today's quotations:—

SECURITIES: Government of India three per cent paper 97/8, Three per cent 1953/55 101/12, Three per cent 1970/75 100. Three per cent Government of Madras 1960 100/4.

BANKS: Travancore 14/8.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17. Mysore 42/14. Travancore 7.

PLANTINGS: Cochin Malabar 4/13. Chembra 5/2, Devashola 13/10. Midland 17/4. Nelliampathy 1/2. Ouchterlony 6/6. Pullangode 1/4 Thirumbadi 2/2/6. T. R. and T. Co 5/12. Waterfall 3/2/6.

TEXTILES: Buckingham 150. Ditto Preference 185/4. Cambodia 12. Coimbatore Cm. 133. Janardhana 59/8. Lakshmi 67/8. Madura 39. Mettur 375. Mysore Soun 6. Radhakrishna 160. Rajalakshmi 67/8. Ranga Vilas 51. Trav Rayons 4/12. Trichinopoly 10.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 721. P. A. C. T. 5/3. India Cement 17/14. Mettur Chem. 6. Mysore Chem. Pref 9.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, February 2.

Local market observed a further lower level and with the selling pressure of a prominent operator closed with a weak undertone.

Fluctuations: Calico opened 290, highest 291/4, lowest 286/8.

Arvind opened 794, lowest 789.
Ambica opened 358, lowest 355/8.
Deferred opened 1644, highest 1658, lowest 1616.

Closing quotations: Calico 287. Arvind 791. Ambica 357. Deferred 1620. Ashok 343/8. Rohit 102/8. Vikram 360, Vijay 420, Vivekanand 135, Atul 39.

NEW YORK COTTON STEADY ON MILLS AND NEW ORLEANS BUYING

Wall Street Reacts After Reaching New High Level

Following initial irregularities, the entire list advanced, nearby May establishing a new seasonal high. Mill interests and New-orleans were active buyers of old crops but upturns attracted increased hedges and liquidation Commission houses and shorts were the principal buyers of far-distants inspired by the upward revision of the mid-January parity price.

After drifting quietly lower on dribbling hedges and Neworleans selling of extreme far-distants the market finally closed steady on covering reflecting unconfirmed rumours that the CCC selling price for 1948 loan stocks will be relatively high in relation to current market prices. Sales were estimated at 90,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

March	31.32 + 03
May	31.36
July	30 74 + 02
October	28 36 + 08
December	28 76 + 07
Middling Spot	32.27 + 04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

March	31.17—02
May	31 25
July	30.62—01
October	28 76 + 05
Middling Spot	31.35

New York Cotton market highest 31.36 at 10-13 hrs. Lowest 31.31 at 14-12 hrs.

WALL STREET MARKET

Opening United States steel quotation was delayed on wall-street this morning for nearly one hour as brokers matched orders. The first quotation was 29-5/8 an advance of 1-3 8 compared with yesterday's close—for a block of 35,000 shares. Most of the other stocks were fractionally higher. The market made a determined attack on the 1950 high levels this morning with both the industrial and utility averages managing to exceed the previous best levels by narrow margins. In improved buying activity, prices recorded mostly fractional gains. Best interest was shown in steels, motors, minings, oils, utilities, papers and department stores. United states steel led the market rising to a new high of 29-5/8 on the initial sale of 35,000 shares and thereafter there was repeated selling at this level. At noon the averages were Industrials 202.24 and rails 55.00.

After penetrating narrowly into newhigh ground for 1950, the market turned reactionary under occasional increases in corrective realising. At the commencement of the final hour prices showed a slight predominance of mostly fractional losses, including numerous pivotal issues. United States steel, however, held its initial advance. The composite average rate finished with a small decline. The session closed barely steady.

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.

American Telephone and Telegraph	149
Amerex Holding Co.	34 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	29 5/8
Chase National Bank	37 3/8
Firestone Tyre	56 1/2
General Electric	44 1/4
General Motors	73 1/2
Ingersoll Rand	70
International Nickel	28 1/4
National City Bank	43 3/8
New York Central Railroad	12 3/8
Sinclair Oil	22 3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation ED	16 3/8
Texas Corporation	60 3/4
Union Carbide	44 1/8
U S Smelting and refining	38 1/2
U.S. Steel Common	29 3/8
Western Union "A"	22

Volume of business on the New York Stock Exchange was 1,810,000 shares.

Highest and lowest U.S. Steel prices were 29 3/4 and 29 1/4 resp.

CHICAGO GRAINS MARKET

Following early irregularity, prices eased on a flurry of liquidation and scattered hedges but this was countered by renewed commercial demand and covering. Soybeans attracted attention by Washington news that the Government was in the market for 23,000 tons for army use in the pacific areas.

Renewed liquidation finally developed in all grains and prices finished at or around the day's lows.

CHICAGO WHEAT

March 2.16 to 2.16 1/8
May 2.08 3/4
July 1.90 1/2
Sept. 1.90 7/8

CONTINENTAL STOCK EXCHANGES

PARIS, February 1: Kaffirs were firm while quilmes led an advance in the Argentine section. Overall trading, however, was quiet affected by the Russian recognition of Vietnam rebels. Indo-Chinese issues suffered fair losses while most of the rest of the list showed no definite trend. French rentes were practically unchanged

BRUSSELS: A brief period of early hesitation was followed by firming tendencies in some issues notably Dutch plantations. Trading also picked up somewhat. Collieries, electricities and colonials ruled quietly irregular however, with other sections mostly unchanged.

AMSTERDAM: Bear covering carred prices higher with the undertone still cheerful under the influence of the tax revision. Plantations were favoured particularly deli tobacco. Most issues finished a few points higher. Internationals were firmer. In a quiet market, Americans first quotation for the recently introduced richfield was 46 to 46-1/4.

LONDON STOCKS

LONDON, Feb. 1.

2 1/2 p.c Br Consols	£70 7/8
3 1/2 p.c Conversion Loan 1961	£94
4 p.c. Funding Loan 1960/90	£107 3/8
3 1/2 p.c War Loan on or after Dec 1st 1952	£92
Chartered Bank of India	£10 9 16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	£89
National Bank of India	£32

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 5,239

NEW YORK PEPPER FIRM

NEW YORK, February 1:

BLACK PEPPER: The pepper market continued firm with dealers and grinders bidding at 1.32 dollars per pound sellers all positions at 1.34 and 1.35 dollars for spot. Following are today's closing prices: Spot 1.32 bid, March 1.29 bid, May 1.29 bid, July 1.28 bid, Sept., 1.28 bid, October 1.26 bid, December 1.22 nominal. White pepper spot 2.25 asked.

LONDON PEPPER MARKET

LONDON February 1.

The pepper market was idle Malabar prices were advanced in keeping with the values at origin but no bids were made owing to the uncertainty regarding the Indian export tax position. Near afloat was indicated at 1.050 shillings and distants at 1.040 with February/March shipment at 1.060 per cwt., c.i.f., United Kingdom. Black lampong, February/March was offered at 9sh 6d., and white muntok at 15 sh. shipping weights with white sarawak at 15-1/2 shillings per pound c.i.f. basis ports but these lower levels failed to attract interest

SINGAPORE PEPPER PRICES

SINGAPORE, February 1.

Prices eased today with black lampong at 515 and white muntok at 425 dollars per picul compared with 520 and 430 respectively previously. Loose arrivals were absorbed locally at 510 to 515. The Singapore pepper market will remain closed on February 2.

N. Y. SILVER SALES

SILVER: Offerings were light and probably only 100,000 ounces at unchanged price. The United States navy reportedly purchased about 200,000 ounces of foreign silver here at a price slightly under the current New York level of 73-1 2 cents.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON Feb. 1.

Silver Spot and Forward 64d.
Gold bars fine per oz £12 8 0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb. 2 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Despite lack of business, there was but little gloom on the London Stock Exchange today. Price movements were usually to higher levels and the undertone remained firm and cheerful.

Fractional advances in British Government long-dated stocks followed small buying orders and there were many improvements of a few pence in industrials. Outstanding in the latter was cable and wireless ordinary stock with advance of four points at 260 and a half. Persistent buying was based on the belief that details of the new construction scheme will be known in the near future.

Firmness in oil counters reflected the Washington report of new United Kingdom plans designed to ease the impact of restrictions against dollar oil. Rises were up to 1-32nd.

Fractional improvements gave the foreign rail and utility market a better tone. Bonds were mainly steady.

More capital for the Freestate area has been provided by a deal between the Anglo-American corporation and the Orange Freestate Investment trust. The former is subscribing for one million shares of the latter at 60 Shillings Kaffir prices were selectively firmer with Freestaters helped by this news

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Shows Further Decline

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2 (P.T.I.): The market showed further decline with regard to the more speculative stocks owing to more sellers than buyers. Other stocks remained unchanged.

Following are today's final transactions upto 3-00 p.m :—

GOVT. SECURITIES: Three per cent loan 1966 97/12, Three per cent loan 1951/55 101/2 8 Lot, Three per cent loan 1953/55 101/10 8 Lot, Three per cent loan 1957 101/12 8 Lot, Three per cent loan 1970/75 100.

BANKS: Imperial (fully paid) 1760, Punjab National 27/12, United Commercial 47/12.

COTTONS: Kesoram Pref

Social Revolution Will Solve Country's Ills

JAI PRAKASH'S CALL FOR UNITED OPPOSITION

LUCKNOW, Feb. 1, (PTI):— Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, the Socialist leader, said here today that there was "tremendous dissatisfaction throughout the country on account of the deteriorating economic condition". "The problems of economic exploitation and poverty", he said "will not be solved unless there is a complete social revolution on the basis of socialism".

He appealed to all disgruntled elements in society "to get together and organise strong opposition and if need be, to change the Government which has miserably failed to liquidate poverty."

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, who was addressing a public meeting said: "In India there exist four types of exploiters: namely, the rajas and maharajas, the zamindars and taluqdars. The capitalists and the high officials. The Congress Government has strengthened the hands of these four elements by its policy. Consequently the claim of the Congress and the Congress Government to establish Kisan Mazdoor Raj is utter falsehood".

Mr. Narain said that the political and economic policy pursued by the Congress Governments at the centre and in the provinces was self-evident and it increased the status of rajas, zamindars, capitalists and big officials. They wielded more power and enjoyed more freedom in the present regime of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru than what they had done in the days of the British.

He said the rajas had been made Rajpramukhs with annual subsidies, the zamindars were being paid compensation, the capitalists were being given ten-year lease with special protection and the officials were "boosted up" and their salaries increased. These four would be paid and maintained by the Government after "squeezing" the poverty stricken people of the country."

"Sardar Patel, he said" is given much credit for liquidating the states, but everybody forgets that the unification has been brought about by the determination of the states people".

Jayaprakash In Lucknow

LUCKNOW, Feb. 1, (PTI): Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan, the Socialist leader, arrived in Lucknow this morning from Patna to attend a meeting of the Executive Council of the All India Railwaymen's Federation.

Mr. Narayan will also attend a meeting of the General Council of the E. I. Railway Employees Union and the annual conference of the E. I. Railway Employees Union, Lucknow Branch. He will stay here for three days.

Jayaprakash On His Proposed Fast

LUCKNOW, Feb. 2 (PTI)—Mr. Jaya Prakash Narayan, Socialist leader, will issue "a definite statement" on February 5 on his proposed "indefinite fast" to secure implementation of two promises he claims to have been given by Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kdwai, India's Communication Minister.

FAMINE IN RAJASTHAN

Quick Relief Measures

JAIPUR, Feb. 2 (UPI)—Steps are being taken to ameliorate the conditions of the people of famine stricken areas of Rajasthan and wagon loads of food are being despatched daily there. Forty wagons of Saurashtra maize and wheat have been despatched to the various famine stricken parts of Bhilwara District in Udaipur Divison.

Seventy five thousand maunds of wheat from Kotah have been allotted for affected areas of Udaipur Division and arrangements are underway to despatch this commodity shortly.

The arrangement to despatch ten to twelve wagon loads of foodgrains daily from Udaipur to Bhilwara have also been made with the railway authorities.

S.S.C. EXAMS IN MARCH

56,000 Expected To Sit

(From Our Correspondent)
POONA, (By Mail).

About fifty-six thousand students are expected to appear this year, for Secondary School Certificate Examination, which commences from the fifteenth of March.

Syaad Nurulla has been recently appointed the Chairman of the S. S. C. Board.

It is recalled that last year, this examination became notorious through leakages of question-papers and the vagaries of publication of results.

Two Killed In Truck Collision

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Feb 2: Two persons were killed and one was injured seriously when a truck collided with a rickshaw and smashed the latter into pieces, Jan. 31, in Ghamhapur, a ward of Jubbulpore.

GOLDSMITH ROBBED OF Rs. 30,000 IN ORNAMENTS

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Feb. 2: A sensational burglary was committed, Thursday last in Damoh when some burglars entered into the house of a goldsmith and removed gold and silver ornaments worth Rs. 30,0000 from an iron safe.

Mass Wedding In Singapore

SINGAPORE, Feb. 1 (PTI): "A mass wedding" of 55 Chinese couples at one ceremony was held in Singapore today.

This is the tenth mass wedding celebrated in the city since the war. The number of couples married today was the highest so far.

The function was organised by a Chinese organisation the Mayfair Musical and Dramatic Association.

Some couples who had originally planned to be married at the mass meeting, had to give up the idea owing to the disapprobation of their parents.

The ceremony took place at Singapore's largest hall, the Victoria Memorial Hall, where last year's United Nations conference were held. After the wedding, the couples toured the town in one long procession, headed by a brass band.

FRENCH PROTEST TO RUSSIA

Sequel To The Latter's Recognition Of Ho

PARIS, Feb. 2 (P.T.I.-Reuter): France today followed its formal note with a verbal protest to the Soviet Ambassador, M. Alexander Bogomolov, against Russia's recognition of the Ho Chi-minh regime in Indo-China.

The Ambassador had said earlier he could not accept the note, and returned it. After a six-minute talk between M. Pierre Schneiter, acting French Foreign Minister, and M. Bogomolov, the French Foreign Office said that M. Schneiter had "rendered verbally the solemn written protest of the French Government against Soviet recognition of Ho Chi-minh.

"He insisted on the very serious consequence that the initiative of Moscow implies for Franco-Soviet relations."

M. Bogomolov left the Foreign Office with a grim face.

FRENCH PACT WITH VIET NAM

PARIS, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter): The agreements between France and the Inudo-Chinese States of Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia, giving them autonomous Government within the French Union, became law today.

Their text will be published in the French Official Gazette tomorrow.

The agreements became definitive on the National Assembly being informed this morning that the Council of the Republic (Upper House) had approved the law early this morning in an all-night session.

Western "Counterblow"

PARIS, Feb. 2, (PTI-Reuter): Diplomatic quarters here expect Britain and America to recognise Bao Dai's Viet Nam regime immediately as a first Western counterblow to Moscow's recognition of Communist leader Ho Chi-Minh.

PAK POSTAL WORKERS REFUSE SALARY

LAHORE, Feb. 2 (UPI): The employees of the Posts and Telegraphs Departments refused yesterday to draw their salaries in accordance with the decision taken by them at the last joint metting of the workers' union held here under the presidentship of Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy.

Reports received from various other districts of the West Punjab, N.W.F.P. and the other places, show that employees of the Posts and Telegraphs Department there also did not draw their salaries yesterday.

DUM DUM DACOITY: TRAIL TO START

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2. (UPI): A complaint was filed today by Mr. J. N. Gupta, Additional Police Superintendent, 24-Parganas, before Mr. S. N. Guha Roy, I.C.S., Special Judge appointed under the West Bengal Special Court Ordinance, to try the Dum Dum and Bashirhat outrage cases, against Amarendra Raha and 33 others on charges of waging war against the State, sedition, conspiracies to commit dacoity, murder, arson etc., and also for offences under the Indian Arms Act and Explosive Substances Act.

It may be remembered that on February 26 last year a group of armed youngmen raided simultaneously Dum Dum airport and Bashirhat police station and carried away some arms and ammunition.

Warrants have also been issued by the court against the eleven persons who are absconding.

The Judge directed the production of all the 34 accused in court on Saturday February 4, when the date of hearing would be fixed.

INTER-COLLEGIATE DEBATE IN DELHI

The speakers who participated in the All-India Inter-Collegiate Debate organised by the S. N. Das Gupta College, New Delhi, on Tuesday, photographed with Prof. Humayun Kabir, Joint Education Adviser, who presided over the function (standing 3rd from left, front row.) Photo also includes Kuldip Puri and Miss K. Puri, winners of the debate, in the centre.

U. P. Congress Ultimatum

EXPELLED M.L.As ASKED TO RESIGN

LUCKNOW, Feb. 2 (PTI).—The Congress Party in the U.P. Legislature after a five-hour sitting tonight approved and confirmed the resolution of its Executive adopted on January 21 expelling Mr. Triloki Singh and Mr. Radheshyam from the Party are calling upon them to resign from the Legislative Assembly.

The Party deplored the fact that certain members today sat collectively in Opposition benches giving the impression that they had seceded from the party.

It further noted that in spite of the leader's invitation to them to come and appear before the Party and put their point of view before it, they chose to remain absent.

IMPORT OF RAW HIDES TO U.K.

Open Licences To Be Granted

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2. (PTI): The Board of Trade in the United Kingdom has announced that, as from December 31, 1949, imported raw cattle hides and calf skins (other than those from East Africa) and rough tanned kips have ceased to be purchased by the Leather Control and tanners are now free to purchase their requirements through the usual trade channels, says a Commerce Ministry press note. Such imports are, however, subject to import licences.

Open individual licences will be issued to importers of raw cattle hides and calf skins for home consumption from soft currency sources, importers being required to show that they have a bona fide interest in the procurement of hides and calf skins for tanning in the United Kingdom.

In the case of rough tanned East India kips, import licences are required for each consignment. Such import licences will, until further notice, be issued only to present importers on behalf of recognised dressers.

The Board of Trade has also placed upper leather and certain other varieties of hides and skins on Open General Licence. Items of special interest to Indian exporters are:

Boot and shoe uppers of leather; the following hides and skins, raw, dried, salted and pickled: Buffalo hides, pig skins, reptile skins; The following hides and skins, other than furskins, untanned: Hides splits, sheep and lamb skins, being grains and fleshes; Leather, reptile undressed and Leather scrap and waste.

REVISION OF CLOTH PRICES

Official Correction

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (PTI).—An official correction to the Government of India's press note of January 31 on the revision of textile prices makes it clear that the long term solution of the textile problem was for India to increase her cotton production by at least ten lakh bales (and not 10 million bales).

The relevant sentence towards end of the press note issued on January 31 should now read: "The only long term solution of the textile problem is for India to increase her cotton production by at least ten lakh bales."

RAJENDRA PRASAD SHIFTS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (UPI).—President Rajendra Prasad shifted his residence this afternoon to Government House from Queen Victoria Road where he was staying so long.

Members of his family and his personal secretariat were also shifting to Government House today.

NEWS BRIEFS

EDUCATIONIST DEAD: Dr. S.R. U. Savoor, prominent educationist and retired Director of Public Instruction, Madras, passed away on Wednesday afternoon after a brief illness at his residence in Kilpauk Madras. He was the first Indian to be appointed as permanent Director of Public Instruction in the State He was aged 58.

COMMUNISTS SENTENCED: Seven Communists including three post-graduate students were sentenced by a Ludhiana Magistrate to two months' rigorous imprisonment each for alleged defiance of the ban on processions in October last.

TELEGRAPH WIRES STOLEN: Eight spans of telegraph copper wire stolen on the Ambala-Saharanpur section on the night between January 30 and 31 between Kalanaur and Sarsawa railway stations, interrupting telegraph communications for a few hours.

RED FLAGS APPEAR: Communist flags have appeared for the first time in two terrorist-infested areas of Central Malaya.

SOCIALIST ARRESTED: Mr. Jawaharlal Kapur, Secretary of the Ambala City Solialist Party, was arrested in Ambala on Wednesday under East Punjab Safety Act for alleged prejudicial activities. Another Sardar Bikram Singh was arrested for alleged "Communist activities."

LATHI-CHARGE ALLEGED: Mr. Shiva Nath Pathak, President, U. P. Trade Union Congress, released from Lucknow Dist. Jail on Tuesday on bail in the course of a press statement, said that 27 Communist prisoners in Lucknow District Jail were lathi-charged on January 26 while they were voicing their opposition to the new Constitution.

Target Committees To Meet

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2 (PTI)—Various production target committees appointed by the Government are scheduled to meet here shortly to chalk out plans for the implementation of the targets fixed for the year.

The Paper and Paper Board Committee which has fixed the target of production at 110,000 tons for the year as against the estimated production of 105,000 tons in 1949 will meet here in the current week.

The Glassware Committee will meet here on February 11 to draw up the plan of implementation of the target fixed for the year of 100,000 tons. The installed capacity of the industry is 150,000 tons and the estimated production in 1949 was 71,000 tons.

Japanese Peace Treaty

TOKYO, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter)—Canada wants a Japanese peace treaty "at the earliest moment" with or without all Allied countries participating, Mr. Lester Pearson, Canadian Foreign Minister, told a press conference here today. Mr. Pearson is on a four-day visit to get information on the occupation of Japan.

Soekarno Back In Djakarta

DJAKARTA, Feb. 2 (P.T.I): President Soekarno of Indonesia, who returned here today from a ten-day visit to India, Pakistan, and Burma, said he expected Pandit Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, would visit Indonesia, at least for a week.

Thunderstorm Over Calcutta

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2 (PTI)—A thunderstorm passed over Calcutta and its north western suburbs shortly after eight tonight.

The highest velocity of the wind, which was accompanied with occasional light showers, was 35 miles per hour. One of the scheduled planes expected here this afternoon had to divert its course after leaving Allahabad owing to strong head-wind and land at Gaya. The plane is now expected here early tomorrow.

U.P. GOVERNOR'S APPEAL

Resolute Action By All Needed

LUCKNOW, Feb. 2 (PTI).—Mr. H. P. Mody, Governor of Uttar Pradesh, addressing a joint session of the Legislative Council and Assembly under the new Constitution today, called upon the members to dedicate themselves to the service of the country and to the achievement by it of an honoured place in the world.

He said: "In order to achieve the progress and prosperity of which we have so long aspired, resolute action and sustained endeavour by all of us in the discharge of our duties will be necessary."

The Governor referred to the programme of work before the present session of the State Legislature and said that his Government had been giving careful thought during the last three years to the problem of reform of the land tenure system and the economic and social betterment of the peasantry of the State The Zamindari Abolition and Land Reforms Bill and the Bill for the abolition of zamindari in urban area embodied Government's proposals for a solution of these problems.

Mr. Mody indicated that in view of the financial stringency it would be necessary for Government to curtail some of the projects which were under consideration, but in so far as "our resources would allow, the development work and programme would be pushed on energetically."

WHO WILL WIN U. K. GENERAL ELECTION?

LONDON, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): Britons everywhere are asking what will happen about the nation's Government if the general election has such a close finish that no party obtains an outright majority in Parliament.

This possibility is visualised by many ordinary citizens, to whom the size of the Liberal party's bid for recovery has come as a major surprise. They have over 400 candidates and may have unpredictable effects upon Socialist (Government party) and Conservative candidatures.

And apart from the Liberal effort, there is a growing belief that a swing to the right may also have the effect of narrowing the verdict.

The question uppermost in the layman's mind is—if the election result is indecisive, giving no party sufficient members of Parliament to form a majority Government, what will follow?

Political observers consider that neighbour Socialists nor Conservatives would be likely to accept the task of forming the next administration without a reasonable safe party majority.

Nor can they see a coalition emerging, in the ground that the biggest parties have drifted so widely apart since the famous war-time partnership that nothing short of a fresh threat to national survival was likely to bring them together again.

Acheson Accuses British Official

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 (PTI-Reuter): The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson today accused the British Colonial Secretary of having inaccurately represented the American Government's opposition to recent British curbs on dollar oil imports.

Taking an unusual course, Mr. Acheson read to his weekly press conference a prepared declaration denying a statement said to have been sent by British Colonial Secretary Mr. Arthur Creech Jones to the East African Government, and published without authority in the British and American Press.

Mr. Acheson said the statement did not accurately reflect the serious concern with which the United States Government viewed the British action in reducing dollar oil imports into the sterling area and the manner in which the action was put into effect.

BOMBAY, Feb. 2 (UPI): In contravention of previous notification dated 31st January, Ceylon will observe telegraph holiday on Independence Day, February 4. Ordinary telegrams will not be accepted for Ceylon on that day, according to a telegraph notification issued today.

CRITICAL TIMES AHEAD FOR U. N.

Soviet Manoeuvres Threaten Its Existence

LONDON, Feb. 2, (UPI)

THE United Nations is passing through a difficult time and its very existence is endangered due to the international complications created by the recent Russian diplomatic manoeuvres in South-East Asia. Soviet recognition of Ho Chi Minh has created serious international complications.

India's attitude towards the affairs in French Indo-China would at this stage have a far wider world significance than any statement or action on the part of the French, Britain or American Governments

This seems to be the consensus of opinion in diplomatic circles in London.

British diplomatic circles fear that the United Nations would be paralysed as a result of Russian diplomatic manoeuvres. It is unthinkable now, they say, for France to recognise Communist China, and the United States has already gone too far in depicting China as a satellite of Moscow to accord recognition to Mao-Tse-Tung's Government.

In the circumstances, they aver, the Security Council is hardly likely to function at all.

ASIAN ATTITUDE

It is also feared that however anti-Communist small powers may be, they are likely to view the presence of French troops in Viet Nam as an indication of a desire on the part of France to perpetuate colonial imperialism.

Asian and the Middle Eastern countries are likely to sympathise openly with forces that are struggling for national liberation.

It is further feared that Britain might be stampeded by France into recognition of Bao Dai regime before the end of this week and thus give rise to wide divergence in the Commonwealth itself.

Whitehal believes that the Kremlin intends fully exploiting France's bad policy in Viet Nam.

In the face of this power politics, it is being admitted that what India may say or do at this moment will have far wider world significance than any statement or action of French, British or American Governments, although a definite decision by her in favour of recognition of Ho Chi Minh Government, as unconfirmed reports seem to suggest, will further add to the existing complications

CLEVER GAME

Commenting on the Soviet recognition of the Ho Chi Minh Government, Walter Lippman, the ace American political columnist, writing in the "Herald Tribune" today, said that the Soviet Union had played a very clever game in staging a march over other Governments in this matter.

He was of the opinion that nothing suited Russia better than keeping China away from the Western Powers, and as long as France was kept embroiled in Indo-China and America tangled up in the Chiang in Formosa, Moscow would have a free hand in China.

The cold war is thus "warming up" said Pierre Montel, Chairman of the Defence Commission in the French National Assembly in Paris last night

He added: "In Indo-China, France is holding a strategic point for the Atlantic Pact countries Russia's world strategic position, however, is better than Hitler's was in 1939"

Wheat Acreage Increase In Madhya Pradesh

NAGPUR, Feb. 2 (UPI): According to the first forecast, wheat area under cultivation in Madhya Pradesh has increased from 28 lakh acres to 32 lakh acres this year. This includes an increase of about one lakh acre as in the Chhattisgarh States which have been integrated with Madhya Pradesh.

Madhya Pradesh Governor Falls In Line

NAGPUR, Feb. 2 (UPI): The Governor of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Mangaldas Pakvasa has fallen in line with the Governors of other Provinces of the Indian Dominion in respect of the economic cut in their salaries, and is understood to have agreed to a voluntary cut of 15 per cent in his salary with effect from November, 1949.

165 Goondas Captured

WARANGAL, Feb. 2 (UPI): One hundred and sixty-five goondas and other unsocial elements who identified themselves as Communists and indulged in arson, loot and murder were captured by the police and the military in Warangal districts during intense operations last month. One goonda was killed in action.

Huge quantities of arms and ammunition were also secured from the captured goondas.

Silk Yarn Stolen

BHAGALPUR, Feb. 2 (UPI): It is reported that about eight persons unlocked a godown in Sujaganj Market this morning and removed about ten bundles of silk yarn valued approximately at Rs. 10,000. The miscreants are reported to have loaded them in a truck and escaped.

Wheat Uncared For

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Feb 1: Ten to fifteen maunds of wheat stored away in the centrally situated Government godown near the Musjid at Modasa have recently been reduced to powder through lack of care.

Incidents like this led the city fathers of Anand to make an impassioned appeal to revert to the establishment of fair price grain shops.

AHMEDABAD TO GROW JUTE

Food Production Too On The Increase

(Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, (By Mail).

Experiments for growing jutes in Ahmedabad District are to be undertaken shortly As a result, good crops are expected

A meeting of agriculture officers of all districts of Gujarat was held at Baroda recently in which Assistant Director of the Agricultural Department of the Bombay Government was present. The meeting discussed the programme for the next year for growing more food in each district of Gujarat.

There is every hope that in the current year, Gujarat will produce more food as a result of better irrigation, and it is hoped that Gujarat will be independent with regard to food within two years.

In Ahmedabad District, millets will be grown during this year in two and half lakhs acres of land.

More cotton is also to be grown in Ahmedabad district this year. Previously, cotton was grown in about two lakhs acres of land, but due to the restrictions recently imposed cotton cultivation was on the decline

Public Order Councils Reconstituted

MADRAS, February 2 (UPI). The two Advisory Councils constituted by the Government of Madras in connection with the administration of Madras Maintenance of Public Order Act 1949 have been reconstituted in conformity with Article 22 (4) A of the Constitution of India.

Mr. Justice P Satyanarayana will be the Chairman of the First Advisory Council and Mr. K. Raja Iyer, Advocate-General, and Mr O. T. G Nambiar, advocate will be members.

Mr. K. Lakshmana Rao, retired Judge of the Madras High Court, will be the Chairman of the Second Advisory Council and Mr. K. Kutti-krishna Menon, Government Pleader and Mr. D. Munikannaiya, advocate will be the members.

Communist Released

MADRAS, February 2. (UPI): One R. Kupan a Communist detenue, has been released from jail on his giving an undertaking that he will not take part in any activities of the Communist Party or engage himself in any other subversive activities in future.

Communists Raid And Loot A Village

SECUNDERABAD, February 2 (UPI): A band of Communists dressed as military personnel raided the residence of Narsimhlu Patel of village Gajulapalli, in Mahboobnagar District, on the 25th January midnight. They assaulted the headman of the village and looted his house. The raiders are reported to have escaped with a booty of approximately Rs. 5,000

TOASTS TO INIDA

NEW DELHI, Feoruary 2. (UPI) Until further instructions, the loyal toast to be drunk in Indian Naval messes will be to India, says a press communique issued by the Ministry of Defence.

Where officers of other Commonwealth countries are present, this will be followed by a toast to the king

Indore Share Market

(From Our Correspondent)
INDORE CITY, Feb. 2.

Today's closing quotations on Indore Stock Exchange were as follows:—

Indore Malwa 119, Hukamchand Mill 536, Bhandari Mill 660, Vinod Mill 330, Kalyanmal Mill 78, Kalyanmal Mill Preference 85, Rajkumar Mill 119, Indore Bank 58.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH
NEW YORK, Feb. 2.

Previous Closing	31.32
Today's Opening	31.31
Difference	—1
Today's Closing	31.30
Difference	—2

LAST QUOTATIONS
BOMBAY, Feb. 2.

	Rs. as.
Silver Forward	182 12
Gold Forward	115 4
Silver Bullion	183 0
Silver Mint	183 4
Gold Ready	115 8
Sovereign	75 4

NEW YORK STOCKS
NEW YORK, Feb. 2.

Stock Exchange opening prices:—Anaconda Copper Mining dol 29-1/2
General Motors dol. 73-1/2
U. S. Steel Common unquoted,
Preference unquoted.

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STATUTORY TARIFF BOARD ESSENTIAL

Policy Of Discriminating Protection Condemned

MERCHANTS CHAMBER'S VIEWS BEFORE FISCAL BODY

BOMBAY, Thursday.

MR. R. G. SARAIYA, President Mr. C. H. Bhabha, Member, and Mr. A. C. Ramalingan, Secretary of the Indian Merchants Chamber, Bombay, giving their oral evidence before the Fiscal Commission today, emphasised that the policy of discriminating protection had failed to promote the cause of Indian industrialisation.

After reviewing broadly the limitations and defects inherent in the policy of discriminating protection and the machinery of the Tariff Board constituted from time to time to implement the same, they stated that the principles laid down by the Fiscal Commission in 1922 needed, in the altered context of affairs, to be completely overhauled and re-stated to suit the needs and requirements of India's industrial and economic development

They further indicated in detail the objectives of long-term fiscal policy and also the principles and conditions which should govern the recommendations for protection by the Tariff Board.

In a memorandum submitted to the Commission, the Committee of the Chamber suggested that the main conditions which should govern recommendation of protection by the Board should be: that the industry was sufficiently important from the point of view of the national interest and was in need of protection or assistance, or, that the industry was in a position to command and adequate home market or a potential export market and that the burden of such protection of assistance to the community was not excessive.

CONDITIONS

The Committee observed that while the consideration that the industry should be able, within a reasonable time, to carry on successfully without protection or State assistance was important, it was not desirable to incorporate the same as a condition precedent for the grant of protection. They reiterated their plea that the conditions prescribed for the grant of protection should not be unduly restrictive and stringent, but must be liberally conceived.

FOREIGN CAPITAL

Fair Field For Indian Industries Urged

On the question of foreign capital, the representatives of the Chamber maintained that utilisation of foreign capital should be confined to specialised industries requiring high degree of technical skill and 'Know How', which had not already been developed in the country. They also said that the Government should take steps to ensure that in cases where units with foreign capital were allowed to be established in fields where Indian industries have been recently developed, a fair field is always preserved for the operation of the latter.

In this connection, the Chamber suggested the setting up of a reviewing authority, consisting of both official and non-official representatives, in the form of a Statutory Board, to whom all cases of permission for foreign capital to operate in the country should, as a matter of course, be referred. The same authority should also keep a watch on the working of foreign-owned industries set up in the country both initially and in the further operational stages.

PERMANENT AUTHORITY

The Chamber's representatives stated that only a permanent independent authority like a Statutory Tariff Board could take a board and comprehensive view of the economic development of the country as a whole and recommend for the implementation of such fiscal and non-fiscal measures as are likely to achieve the objective of balanced industrial development. This naturally implied that the scope and functions of the Tariff Board should be considerably enlarged and suitable organisational changes effected for the purpose. They visualised a tariff board with sufficiently wide powers, so as to be able to undertake investigations on its own initiative under certain circumstances and even review the progress of protected industries from time to time. Though the Board should be mainly an advisory body in character and the powers of final decision should naturally vest in Government, the range of powers and functions entrusted to it should be wide and comprehensive.

STEAMSHIP OWNERS' PLEA

The Indian Steamship Owners' Association represented by Messrs. Haji, Mehta and Alyar detailed the difficulties of the Indian Steamship Companies and the types of assistance that they required. The handicaps from which the Indian shipbuilding industry suffered were also discussed.

In the afternoon the Commission examined Prof. D. R. Gadgil of Poona. In his view, the real question of the future was not what policy Government should adopt in regard to protection and assistance to individual industries but how soon Government evolved an over all plan of economic development and how actively and effectively this could be implemented.

Later, the Commission examined Shri Manu Subedar who pleaded for a definite assurance to private trade and industry as to the role that Government visualised for it in the economy of the country.

MADRAS IRRIGATION PROJECTS

A Dozen To Be Taken Up This Year

MADRAS, Feb. 2 (U.P.I.): As part of the food self-sufficiency programme, the Government of Madras are likely to take up for execution during 1950-51 nearly a dozen irrigation projects distributed in what is known as "neglected districts" of the Province, Bellary, Cuddapah, Chittoor, Ramnad, Tinnevelly and North Arcot. Most of the projects are said to be at an advanced stage of investigation and will be ready for execution in the next few months.

In the case of "big" projects, involving huge expenditure to the tune of many crores, like Krishna, Pennar, Manimutharu in Tinnevelly etc., Government, it is stated, would be satisfied initially with the construction of reservoirs on these rivers at suitable places waiting for better times to have the channels dug.

Such a step, although it would delay the bringing in of fresh lands under cultivation, would enable the irrigation of the second crop cultivation where it is not already done and also to prevent diversion of water necessary for production of electricity.

A lump sum provision was being made in 1950-51 budget for the execution of such schemes. Another lump sum is also being set apart for tank improvement schemes with many of which, the Food Production Commission is ready.

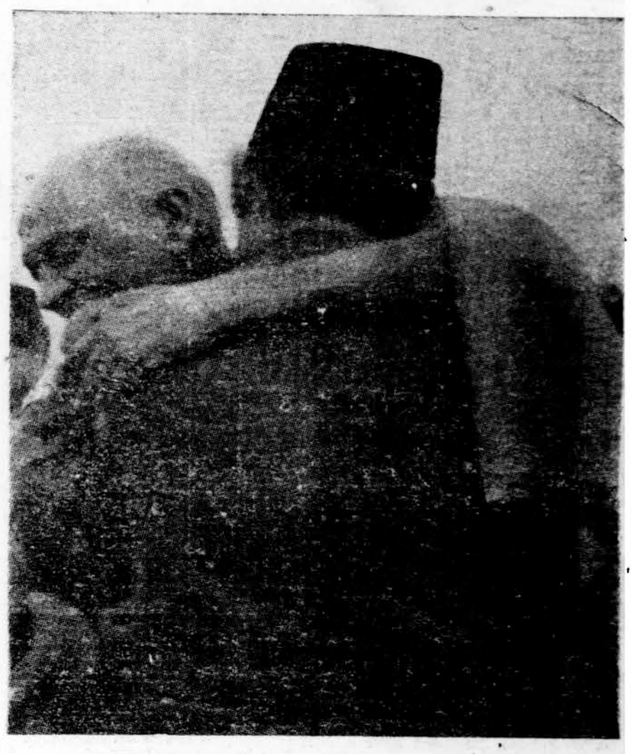
FOUR MAHE DETENUS RELEASED

CALICUT, Feb. 2 (P.T.I.): Four political detenus in Mahe jail were released last evening it is learnt here.

Three of them were in detention since the October incident, when following an uprising by the people the French Administrator of Mahe fled the city.

For about two days, the city was in the hands of the populace. The French then brought reinforcements from Pondichery in a sloop and re-established their authority.

SOEKARNO'S FAREWELL



A scene at Willingdon airport on January 29 before the departure of the Indonesian President: Dr. Soekarno is seen bidding farewell to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister of India.

RUSSIA WANTS TO TRY JAPANESE EMPEROR

U. S. To Reject Proposal

LONDON, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter).

THE Soviet Embassy in London delivered a note to the British Foreign Office yesterday demanding the trial of Emperor Hirohito as a war criminal, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

The note claimed that Emperor Hirohito and other leading Japanese were guilty of conducting experiments for bacteriological warfare against the Allies, using Chinese and Soviet war prisoners

A similar note was delivered yesterday in Washington to the United States Department.

WASHINGTON.—A surprise Soviet proposal to try the Japanese Emperor on criminal charges involving the use of germ warfare will be rejected by the United States, officials said today.

The exact response will be worked out by the State Department after study of the charges filed yesterday against Emperor Hirohito and four other Japanese. Presumably the other war-time Pacific Allies will be consulted.

Diplomatic authorities said there is little doubt that this country's answer will be an emphatic "No." They look for most of the other former foes of Japan to follow suit.

To accept the Russian proposal would mean reversing a 1949 decision by the 13-nation Far Eastern Commission to wind up all the war crimes trials and upsetting the American policy of controlling Japan during the occupation through the Emperor.

Responsible officials made plain they suspect a Moscow propaganda manoeuvre The United States has been pressing Russia to return 376,000 war prisoners the Japanese contend are still being held by the Soviets.

THE TRUTH OF THE TRUTH DRUG

LONDON, Feb. 2 (UPI).—Patients who tell their most intimate secrets under the influence of the "Truth Drug" can now take home with them the only record of the interview—an electric tape.

Dr. Ellis Stungo, the Harley Street psychiatrist, gave this assurance when he spoke in detail about the drug at a London meeting last night.

"The so-called Truth Drug does not necessarily make a patient tell the truth," said Dr. Stungo who has experimented with it over a number of years.

"Its object is to affect consciousness to an extent which undermines critical faculties, it interfered with ability to think and reason and to consider a question before answering.

Prohibition Offences: First Warn Then Dismiss

MADRAS, Feb 2 (P.T.I.): The Madras Government has issued orders to the effect that Government officials committing prohibition offences should be warned for the first time. If they repeat the offence they would be forthwith dismissed from service.

Khar Lands Development Schemes

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Khar Lands Development Board, at its next meeting to be held at the Secretariat, Bombay, on February 6, will consider 26 schemes received from the districts of Kolaba, Thana, Ratnagiri and Kanara. Mr. D. K. Kunte, Parliamentary Secretary, will preside.

MADURA TEXTILE MILL NOT TO CLOSE

MADURA, Feb. 2 (P.T.I.): The management of the Harvey group of cotton spinning mills announced today that in view of the promised assistance from the Government of India to import American cotton, the mills will not be effecting a production cut from February 6, as announced.

BRITAIN MUST TAKE UP ATOM CONTROL ISSUE

London Paper's Warning

LONDON, Feb. 2. (PTI-Reuter).

THE LONDON "TIMES" today made an urgent appeal that whatever Government is formed in this country after the election must give full attention to the problem of the control of atomic weapons.

Commenting that the decision of President Truman to order the development of the "Hydrogen Bomb" in the United States was inevitable, the paper said: "The Russians must be told and frankly that their mania for secrecy makes it almost impossible for any democratic government to resist the pressure for more powerful weapons."

The paper argued that only a system of international control could put an end to this fearful competition—a fact which the Soviet Government has tacitly admitted.

Although Russia refused to accept the American proposals for international ownership of all uranium and thorium mines and the widest powers of search in every country, the paper said, the Russian counter-proposals, though not enough, were not so hopeless as to rule out all furtdher negotiations.

RED VERSION

The Communist "Daily Worker" accused the United States of wanting war and maintained that the Soviet Union's proposals of February 1949 on the control of atomic energy constituted the basis for an agreement which could remove for ever the "horror" of the Hydrogen Bomb.

Sir Osbert Sitwell, the British author, in the "Times" correspondence columns, appealed "for some move to be made", on the question of the Hydrogen Bomb and the preservation of the world.

After referring to the possibility of civilisation's destruction by the Hydrogen Bomb, Sir Osbert asked: "Is it beyond the will of living statesmen to make some new and more successful effort toward the preservation of the world"

Hydrogen Bomb Before 1951

U. S. HOPES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 (PTI-Reuter): American atomic leaders were today reported to be hopeful of exploding the world's first hydrogen "super bomb" in 1951 or even earlier. President Truman was today facing a host of reporters at his weekly press conference seeking further light on his decision to give the "go ahead" signal for production.

It was presumed here that the test of the new bomb would be made on a remote Pacific island such as Eniwetok, scene of the triple blast of new atom bombs last summer.

At the State Department, there was no immediate move to reopen negotiations with Russia for effective international control of atomic energy.

NO RADIOACTIVITY

VIENNA Feb. 1: Though theoretically unward of 20,000 times more destructive than any atom bomb so far exploded, the hydrogen bomb would be unlikely to produce the lingering radioactivity caused by the blast over Hiroshima in 1945.

That statement was made here today by Dr Hans Thiring. Austrian physicist who published information about the principles of a hydrogen lithium bomb here as early as 1946 only a year after the atom bomb was used on Japan.

Dr Thiring said: "Theoretically, the great difference between a hydrogen bomb and a plutonium bomb is that while the latter can be made only in a size limited by the fact that if the mass of material is too small it will not explode, and if it is too large it will explode prematurely, the former can be made in any size desired

"Also, while plutonium is hard to get, and the total world stock is probably not over one ton, hydrogen is obtainable in unlimited quantities.

"What is more, if the same quantity of uranium and of hydrogen lithium exploded the energy released by the hydrogen would be much greater—considerably more than twice as great. Thus, theoretically there is nothing to stop a hydrogen bomb of ten tons weight, which is about ten thousand times as great as any atom bomb yet exploded, from being made.

"If such a huge mass of material could be made to explode simultaneously the effect should be over 20,000 times greater than that of the bomb dropped on Hiroshima It would probably destroy all life animal and vegetable, over an area with a diameter of about 100 miles

"The heat produced would be terrific But it is doubtful whether so huge a mass could be brought to the point of explosion simultaneously as it might be that the explosion of the plutonium detonator bomb might disperse much of the hydrogen material before it could be brought to explode

"I do not think there is any chance of such an explosion (even if the whole mass exploded) setting fire to the atmosphere or producing chain explosions of material outside the bomb itself.

"One great difference between the effects of the plutonium and the hydrogen bomb would be that although at the moment of explosion powerful and dangerous gamma rays would be given off, there would not be, in all prossibility, the creation of large quantities of radioactive substances, such as created so great a problem after the explosions in Japan".

CALCUTTA Feb 2, (UPI): It is learnt that the Government of West Bengal has been pressing upon the East Bengal Government for an early session of the Chief Secretaries Conference to discuss among other things the recent incidents that occurred at Barisal Khulna, Bagharahat and other parts of East Bengal resulting in fresh influx of refugees to West Bengal. No date has yet been fixed for that Conference.

HUNGER-STRIKE BY STUDENTS

Condition Of Two Serious

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 2: The condition of two of the students of the Allahabad University who have gone on hunger-strike and who are now confined in Tottial Memorial Hospital is causing anxiety

As a security measure the local authorities have promulgated Sec. 144 C.P.C. in the University area.

The demands of the hunger-strikers include repayment of Library, Union money, formation of Proctorial Board and cancellation of rustication orders passed against some of the students for indiscipline.

The Vice-Chancellor in a letter to the President of the University Union has stated that the question of the refund of Union money will be discussed at the next meeting of the Library Committee and the Executive Council and be given sympathetic consideration The question of Proctorial Board he stated is receiving his consideration.

The Vice-Chancellor, however, expressed his inability to re-open the question whether fees should be paid for ten or twelve months. He refused to consider the case of rusticated students.

U. P. REBEL MEMBERS SIT IN OPPOSITION

LUCKNOW, Feb 2 (PTI): Twenty one members of the Congress Party in the U. P. Legislature sat on the Opposition Bench when the Legislative Assembly met today for the first time after the inauguration of the new Constitution.

They occupied a complete bloc facing the ministerial benches. To their right sat members of the Janata Party (former Muslim League Party) and the bloc to their left was occupied by four red-capped Socialists, members of the Zamindari Party, independents and some members of the Congress Party.

The packed house stood up as the Governor H. P. Mody arrived to administer oath to the Speaker, Mr. Purushottamdas Tandon, and the Deputy Speaker, Mr. Mafisul Hasan.

Function Of High Courts Under New Constitution

PATNA, Feb. 1 (PTI): Sir Ribton Meredith, Chief Justice of the Patna High Court explaining the role of the High Court in Republican India said "It is our function to interpret the constitution and to lay down clearly what acts can be lawfully done under that constitution and what acts cannot We shall never abrogate it and will discharge it without fear or favour and with complete independence."

Sir Ribton was replying to an address of welcome presented to him and other judges on their assumption of office under the new constitution by the Bar of the province.

Sir Ribton referring to the relationship between the High Court and the Government said there seemed to be an idea prevalent that the High Court and the Government were in some sense always in opposition to each other. The idea was possibly a legacy of the past when the Government was a foreign one Such idea had no longer any meaning, he said.

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

THE enquiry instituted by the Madras Government into the socio-economic effects of Prohibition is to my mind a sheer waste of time. We seem to have been bitten by the American bug for enquiries and researches into the self-evident. But as the Latin tag goes, Circumspice—Look around you—and the answer is pretty clear.

Anyway let me set down the results of my observation. (Possibly it might induce the Bombay Government to imitate Madras and then—why, don't you know, the man for the job is obvious or will be when I have finished.) The most noticeable thing is the number of parties, receptions and so on that are being given on dry days. An investigation into the records of hotels ought to reveal that entertaining is done in a fluctuating wave, with dry-entertaining on the upgrade. If I want to fete my boss, I can do it cheaply if I miss out the luckless days, and I can do it at the best hotels which helps. In the past, I was under the painful necessity of finding out excuses to fix the celebrations at the vegetarian restaurants and of flourishing my national sentiment. Now things are much simpler. And, though others might not admit it as frankly, there are many others in the same predicament.

From all that I see, there are certain people who have attained a special importance because of their know-how, as the Americans put it. In other words, the knowledge where and how to get IT has won them status and, I presume, material gain. There is no truth, I hope, in the story that a priest who was in search of funds to rebuild his house of worship, was approached by the proverbial rich young man and told that, if no questions were asked, the money would be forthcoming. But it is a fine tale which gathers colour by descriptions of the simple, almost disreputable, dress of the modern Maecenas.

There is also a harrowing case of persons thrown out of employment. I am told that the village of an ayah of a friend of a friend of a cousin of the man who sits at the next desk here, has seen 800 persons thrown out of employment. Which, no doubt, is very sad and, when I find out the name of the village, I shall pass the news on to the Employment Exchange

This is not all. The other day, I had with me a young fellow whose experiences of other lands is phenomenal and unbelievable. He was not the only guest and obviously the others were sufficiently interested to stay well past midnight After everyone else had left, he turned to me and said, "This is the only country in which you can find people who can get drunk without liquor" Whether this was meant as a compliment or not, I am unable to say. Can you? Is it a point in favour or against Prohibition—and Prohibition of what?

MAHAVIR CHAKRA FOR AIR OFFICER

NEW DELHI, Feb. 2: For fearless leadership, determination and unswerving devotion to duty when in command of a temporary squadron during the Jammu and Kashmir air operations in mid-year-old Squadron Leader Sudley Basil Noronha has been awarded the Mahavir Chakra.

Squadron Leader Noronha, who hails from Trichinopoly, was commissioned in the Indian Air Force in November 1941 and saw action in the Arakan and Burma Campaign. In 1946, Noronha then a Flight Lieutenant was sent to the United Kingdom for attending the Pilot Attack Instructor's Course which he passed with credit. A few months after his return to India, he was promoted to the rank of Acting Squadron Leader and given the command of a Fighter Squadron which he led with great success during the early critical days of the defence of Kashmir valley

The citation awarded to Squadron Leader Noronha says. This Officer by his brilliant leadership carried out his squadron offensive to the maximum remarkable success despite adverse conditions He showed quite outstanding qualities of bravery and leadership"

PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO MAO'S MESSAGE

NEW DELHI, Feb 2: Acknowledging the message of greetings of His Excellency General Mao Tse-Tung, Chairman of the Central People's Government of the Chinese Republic, Peking Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President of the Republic of India, has sent the following reply:—

"I am grateful to Your Excellency for your message of greetings on behalf of the Central People's Government of Chinese Republic and people of China on occasion of inauguration of the Republic of India, India looks forward to continuance and strengthening of friendly relations that have existed for untold centuries between her and her great neighbour, China."

Cholera In Eluru Taluk

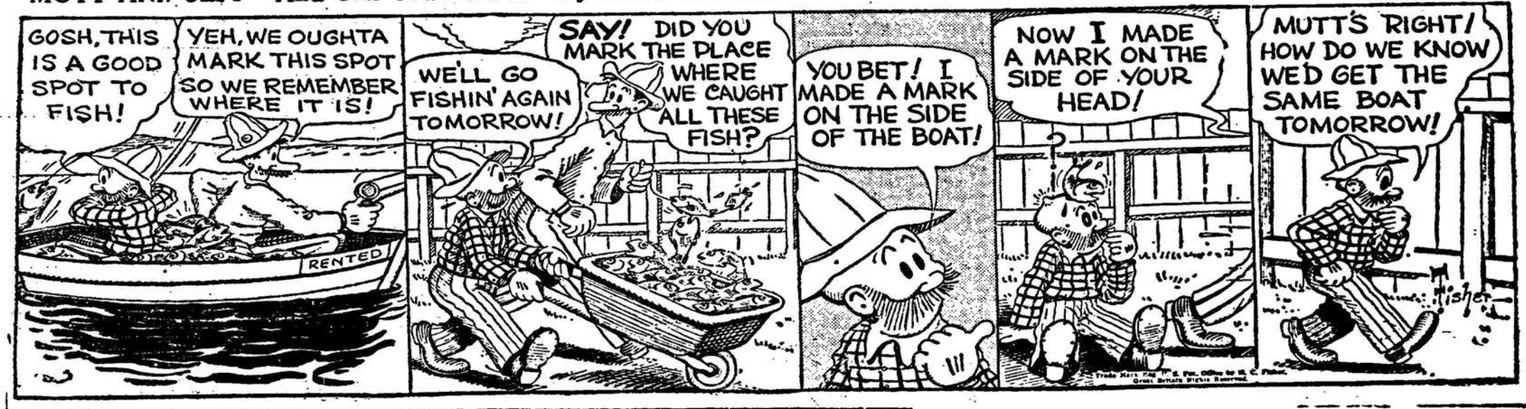
ELURU (Madras), Feb. 2 (P.T.I.): Eluru taluk is in the grip of cholera epidemic.

Upto January 31, the total number of cases reported was 181 of which 73 proved fatal. In one village alone there were 41 deaths from the epidemic.

Precautionary measures have been taken by the Health Staff in the taluk and over 4 000 people have been inoculated so far.

MUTT AND JEFF—And Can You Beat It—My Name Is Fisher

By BUD FISHER


GOSH, THIS IS A GOOD SPOT TO FISH!
YEH, WE OUGHTA MARK THIS SPOT SO WE REMEMBER WHERE IT IS!
RENTED
WE'LL GO FISHIN' AGAIN TOMORROW!
SAY! DID YOU MARK THE PLACE WHERE WE CAUGHT ALL THESE FISH?
YOU BET! I MADE A MARK ON THE SIDE OF THE BOAT!
NOW I MADE A MARK ON THE SIDE OF YOUR HEAD!
MUTT'S RIGHT! HOW DO WE KNOW WE'D GET THE SAME BOAT TOMORROW!
Fisher

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